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## Four Problems Named By President Cox

STRESSES EVANGELISM AND COOPERATIVE PROGRAM



DR. NORMAN W. COX

### The Washington Review

By Larston D. Farrar

#### FCC 'ABOUT FACE'

There's quite a bit of talk in both radio industry and religious circles concerning Federal Communications Commission's apparent "about face" on its enunciated policy of favoring radio stations which give time to religious programs as contrasted with those which sell time for such purposes.

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### Cole Brothers Add To Foundation Funds

The Cole families of Philadelphia and Canton have recently placed \$5,000.00 more in the Cole Brothers Foundation, the income of which goes to support the teachings of Church Administration at Mississippi College. Of this amount \$2,666.65 is credited to the First Church, Philadelphia, as given below:

Everett S. Cole	\$2,166.70
Wilbur F. Cole	166.65
Howard Cole	166.65
Algernon Cole	166.65

In addition, Mr. Wilbur D. Cole gave this year \$2,166.70 through the Spring Creek Church, and Mr. Marion Cole \$166.65 through the Canton Church, making \$5,000 in gifts from all the families in recent days.

The total amount in the Foundation now stands at \$25,000.00 This is probably the first foundation of its kind in the Southland. It is hoped that many other like sums will be given for similar use in Baptist colleges in other states as the years go by.

### Says Majority of Legislators Do Not Want Strict Liquor Enforcement Laws

In the Annual President's Address to the Mississippi Baptist Convention Dr. Norman W. Cox flayed the 1946 legislature for its failure to enact laws that would aid law enforcement. Concerning efforts to have better enforcement laws passed, Dr. Cox declared, "The majority of the legislators do not want the laws against the sale of liquor enforced. They proved this by defeating every effort that would have aided enforcement".

According to Dr. Cox there is need for unified leadership in the matter of integration, program, policy and promotion in the field of Christian education in Mississippi.

President Cox praised the increasing interest of Mississippi Baptists in missions, education and benevolence, but said there is a promotional heresy that needs careful scrutiny. He referred to the growing habit of insisting that all churches should give to missions at least half of all the money that comes into their treasuries. The speaker declared that different churches had different problems and some should give more than half and others less than half.

The Cooperative Program was praised by Dr. Cox who said, "These past 27 years have proved the cooperative program to be the fairest and most equitable way for securing adequate support for our denominational ministries". Special appeals according to Dr. Cox are hampering the Cooperative Program. He said that although the Cooperative Program is the lifeline that has sustained our institutions and missionary causes it gets small consideration at the Convention. He cited the fact that the 1945 Convention minutes give only (Continued On Page Two)

### Worldwide Bible Reading To Be Sponsored From Thanksgiving To Christmas

"The Word of Power for a Power Age" is the timely theme selected for the 1946 Worldwide Bible Reading program, Thanksgiving to Christmas, according to an announcement just made public by the American Bible Society.

The Worldwide Bible Reading program is sponsored by the American Bible Society and a committee of nationally prominent laymen. In addition to the daily Bible readings for

## ROGERS THRILLS CONVENTION

Says Stakes Should Be Strong And Deep

Capacity Crowd Hears Sermon

Before a State Convention audience that taxed the capacity of the auditorium of the First Baptist Church, Jackson, Rev. J. Reese Rogers, popular pastor of Salem Church, Covington county, and Convention preacher challenged Mississippi Baptists to strengthen their stakes and drive them deep.

The four things emphasized by the Convention preacher were: Knowledge, Love, Faith and Obedience.

For the benefit of those Mississippi Baptists unable to attend the Convention and profit by hearing Pastor Rogers' challenging discourse the sermon in full follows:

"ENLARGE THE PLACE OF THY TENT, AND LET THEM STRETCH FORTH THE CURTAINS OF THINE HABITATIONS: SPARE NOT, LENGTHEN THY CORDS, AND STRENGTHEN THY STAKES" (Isa. 54:2).

There is one unbroken thread of kinship running through all nations, kinds, colors and creeds, reaching from the gates of Eden to the portals of Eternity, and that is the universal need of human hearts of all time for the message and ministry of the Church of Jesus Christ. This need was reflected when God said to Abraham, "I WILL BLESS THEM THAT BLESS THEE AND CURSE HIM THAT CURSETH THEE AND IN THEE SHALL ALL FAMILIES OF THE EARTH BE BLESSED" (Gen. 12:3), and the blessedness of the day when "THE EARTH SHALL BE FILLED WITH THE KNOWLEDGE OF THE GLORY OF THE LORD, AS THE WATERS COVER THE SEA", (Hab. 2:14) was forecast by Isaiah when he proclaimed that "THEY SHALL BEAT THEIR SWORDS INTO PLOUGHSHARES, AND THEIR SPEARS INTO PRUNING HOOKS: NATION SHALL NOT LIFT UP SWORD AGAINST NATION, NEI-

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REV. J. REESE ROGERS

### PASTORS AND LAYMEN EMPHASIZE RURAL CHURCHES

#### Aultman Is Elected President

Mississippi's rural churches claimed the spotlight in the pre-convention sessions of the annual Pastors and Laymen's Conference meeting in the First Baptist Church, Jackson, Monday and Tuesday of this week. Building a program around the theme, "The Rural Church", pastors and laymen paid unmistakable tribute to "the church in the open country" and gave unending testimony to its place in the growth and future of Baptist history in Mississippi.

Dr. W. E. Greene, Clarke Memorial College president and chairman of the conference welcomed a meagre audience of some 75 in the opening minutes of the first session but as the afternoon session progressed the audience increased measurably and as the apparent keynote of Dean Martin V. McKinsters address was struck home the audience of pastors and laymen had become cognizant that the spotlight of attention was on the rural churches and that Dr. McKinsters declaration, "we are a rural denomination" had become the hallmark of their thinking.

The Honorable Bruce C. Aultman, Hattiesburg attorney and prominent Baptist Layman, was elected president of the Mississippi Baptist Pastors and Laymen's Conference. The election was by acclamation. Mr. Aultman succeeds Dr. W. E. Green, Clarke College president.

A new office was added to the conference when Dr. William Potter, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Carthage, was unanimously elected secretary. (Continued On Page Seven)

## \$50,000 Cash Thanksgiving Offering For Orphanage



# FOUR PROBLEMS NAMED BY PRESIDENT COX

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a two line reference except as to the division of the income it produces.

In closing his address President Cox emphasized the importance of evangelism for said he, "Vastly more important than financial programs and denominational machinery is our quest for the lost". The complete text of the address follows:

Mississippi Baptists as they meet in their annual convention for 1946 have reason to give thanks unto God whose gracious mercies have attended us through another year. This first post-war year has clearly shown several encouraging improvements in the life of our churches. At the same time we are unhappily conscious of perils subtle and deadly that menace us. Truly these are days when our God is calling his prophets to the watchtowers of Zion that in prayer and in yearning for Holy Spirit guided vision they may discern the situation and sound the warning of our risen Lord to his people.

Your president has sought the counsel of our Christ for this brief message to you today. He believes that he has been led of the Lord to present four matters whose importance deserves the consideration of this convention.

## Legislature Favored Liquor

First, something must be done to combat effectively the highly propagandized and sinister designs of the liquor and beer business. A year ago by your direction an effort was made to improve law enforcement by trying to get the legislature to pay our district attorneys an adequate salary and to require them to give all of their time to the discharge of the duties of their office. The attempt was honestly made but it was futile. It was a failure because the majority of the legislature do not want the laws against the sale of liquor enforced. They proved that they did not by defeating every effort that would have aided enforcement. They saw to it that neither men nor money were made available to the governor for law enforcement. The last legislature supported the lamented Gov. Bailey's program except at this point. They totally denied his plea for help here. They refused to allow the payment of a tax for the breaking of the law to become prima-facie evidence to be used in the prosecution of a lawbreaker who confesses his guilt.

The liquor defending politicians in the legislature are crying out for the prophets of God to stay in their pulpits and look after keeping the souls of sinners out of hell while they have a free hand to send them there.

The propaganda of the alcoholic beverage business is as insidious, as subtle, as deadly and as diabolical as anything Hitler's Dr. Goebbels ever put out at the behest of his Nazi masters. The servants of the brewers and distillers are begging us to believe: that the laws are unenforceable; that more liquor is being sold in Miss., than in the states where it is legalized; that all decent people drink; that liquor and beer are harmless and helpful; and that only some fanatical preachers and a few pious hypocrites are opposed to its sale being legalized. By their upside-down

logic they argue that the notorious Black Market Tax law is an aid to temperance and law enforcement when the legislature that enacted it forbade the use of the evidence derived from its payment as a means of court prosecution.

I warn you now that, if the Christian people of Mississippi do not wake up and discharge their obligation to Jesus Christ as citizens by electing to the next legislature representatives and senators who will do right by this question, the sale of liquor will be legalized in Miss., in the spring of 1948.

## The Black Market Record

I have in my possession the name and address and the approximate amount each black market tax payer paid to the state tax collector in the first eight months of this calendar year. An analysis of these records yields much light on the situation. They show that in 22 counties there was not one single black market tax payer in that period; that in 10 counties there were 1; that in 6 counties there were 2; and in 7 counties there were 3 each. That consolidation shows that in 45 out of 82 counties in the state there were only 43 who paid the tax. What does that mean? It tells us that they had officers who did their duty. It proves that the law can be enforced, if those whose sworn obligation gives them the responsibility will only be true to their trust.

A further study of the black-market tax records shows that there were in the state 614 payers of the tax for the time mentioned. Of this number 134 were in Harrison County and 70 were in Warren. That locates approximately one-third of the business in two counties. Add to this the next four highest counties which are Jackson with 37, Hancock with 32, Lauderdale with 32 and Adams with 28, and we have more than half of the black market operators in 6 counties. Consolidate the total of the 14 counties that have the largest number of B-M payers and they will add up to 479 or 78%. This means that 22 percent of the liquor sold in Miss., is dispensed in 68 counties and 78% in 14. That tells us that we can elect a legislature that will change this infamous situation. Will the people in 68 counties stay asleep and let the other 14 doom them to the bondage of this alcoholic beverage lawlessness?

A study of these records shows that the liquor strength is localized in a few small areas in comparison with the size of the state but the confusion they have produced is state wide.

Another observation deserves attention. The records show that there are 29 big operators in the state who pay from one thousand to seven thousand dollars a month in B-M taxes. There are 24 who pay from five hundred to nine hundred and ninety-nine dollars a month. The right kind of a legislature could stop their clock, period. These 53 men as things now are, are blatantly mocking the sovereign authority of the state of Mississippi. Of the other 561 payers of the tax, 399 are small-fry who pay from \$1.00 to \$99.00 a month.

## Wishful Thinking Is Futile

These 614 Black Market tax payers are a challenge to God's people to elect a legislature and a governor in 1947 that will put an end to the dis-

grace and damage they are doing our state. Wishful thinking will not do this. The effort must be organized and directed.

In Mississippi there are several scores of churches that want to build new church buildings but cannot get a priority permit that will enable them to buy essential material and thereby are forbidden by the government to build. At the same time scores of honky tonks that sell liquor, many of them large and expensive, have built new buildings. This country is nose-diving into hell at a faster than sonic speed when it forbids churches to build, denies families the right to build homes, but allows bootleggers to get what they want of the scarce building materials.

## The Christian Education Problem

Second, the developments of another year have further proved our need of a unified leadership in the matter of integration, program, policy and promotion in the field of Christian Education for Mississippi Baptists. Last year we urged the brethren of the convention to explore the idea for a year. A carefully studied proposal will be submitted for your consideration. May the Lord lead you to do what his will would direct in this vitally important matter.

## The 50-50 Heresy

Third, one of the most encouraging evidences of our growth in grace, is the continually increasing interest of our people in missions, education and benevolence. We are doing better. We need to do much more. God grant that we may.

However there is one little promotional heresy that is coming into emphasis that needs to be carefully scrutinized in the light of Baptist policy. I refer to the growing habit of some of our promotional leaders in insisting that if our churches fulfill their devotion to Christ they will give to missions at least half of all the money that comes into their treasuries. This little heresy is already doing harm and will do much more unless it is abated.

Our Churches under God are responsible to Him for how they divide their money. There are situations where a church should give three fourths of its income to missions and there are others where ten per cent might be the Lord's will. The circumstances of the churches vary, their obligations are different. Baptist churches do not welcome being told by denominational servants what percentage of their income they must give to denominational causes if they are to be regarded as showing a praise worthy interest in the cause of Christ. The Cooperative Program

## Has Succeeded

Fourth, twenty-seven years ago the Baptist Cooperative Program came into being as a method sent from God to enable our Baptist Churches to support their denominations institutions and missionary ministries in an equitable and adequate way Prior to that time each institution and cause appealed directly to the churches for its support. The result was chaotic bedlam. Whichever had the best promotional advocacy thrived and others equally or more deserving starved. In these 27 years our Baptist Churches have been better taught and enlisted in the practice of the doctrines of

stewardship and giving. This has borne fruit in greatly increased giving. These years have proved the Cooperative program to be the fairest and most equitable way for securing adequate support for our denominational ministries. Unfortunately the Cooperative Program has continually been hampered by continually recurring crises in the situation of various ones of our institutions and causes. It has received lip service from many of our leaders while special pleaders of particular interests have stampeded conventions with emotional appeals for over and above gifts to meet their needs.

Today an analysis of our situation will show that the majority of our churches and pastors want to create a cooperative program goal that will be adequate and to greatly reduce or totally eliminate special appeals. The support and acceptance of the Cooperative Program has grown with the passing years. Today there is a ground-swell in our churches in its favor.

If one will go back through the minutes of our State Conventions he will find that for some years while the Cooperative Program has been the life-line that has sustained our institutions and missionary causes it has had, either no hearing, or practically none. Look at the minutes of this convention for 1945 and you will find only a two line reference to the Cooperative Program except as to the division of the income it produces. I doubt that there are many of us here who could tell within ten thousand dollars how much the Cooperative program receipts were for last year. Why? Because such an inadequate emphasis has been given to it. Our attention has been absorbed and our strength expended in raising designated money. As a matter of record fact, our gifts to the Cooperative Program have risen from \$101,315.56 in 1939 to \$522,809.94 in 1945. This year saw them rise to \$559,163.74 The wonder of it all is that it has grown and brought in as much as it has. Give it the emphasis it deserves and God's blessing will prove that it is his plan. How long has it been since Miss., Baptists even bothered to adopt a Cooperative Program goal?

Those who have wisdom learn from experience. The years try to teach us. God gave us memory and judgment that we might profit by what happens as we go along. These 27 years have clearly proved three things:

(1). That the Cooperative Program is sent from God to our Baptist churches to enable them to provide by pooling their gifts an adequate current support fund for our denominational causes.

(2). That many people want to give to the operational support of some one or more particular causes.

(3). That the capital needs of our institutions for plant and endowment can only very inadequately be provided out of budget gifts from our churches. But these institutions have, friends to whom they can go for larger gifts which gifts would not except in rare instances be given through the church budget.

## Financial Plans Need Revising

The day has come in the Mississippi Baptist Convention for a thorough

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Almost nine hundred Mississippi churches have tested and proved that it pays to send the Baptist Record to every home in the membership. Start planning now to include such an item in the 1946 budget of your church. The cost is only 8 1/3 cents per family per month.



## Mississippi Baptists--Your Secretary Says: "Love Never Fails," 1 Cor. 13:8

"We preach Christ Crucified." 1 Corinthians 1:23.

I  
Notwithstanding rising costs in printing and paper consumption, we shall come to the convention with a nice Baptist Record profit. Since letting our new contract in 1941, there has been one \$25.00 a week raise in printing cost. Paper costs have gone from \$54.00 a ton to \$78.00 a ton; and we face another \$10.00 a ton advance before January 1, 1947. We also face an advance in printing costs due to advance in labor and materials costs. Helpers in both the circulation and mailing departments have had a justifiable salary advance. Even with all of this, we see no reason why we should not experience some reasonable profit in putting out the Baptist Record.

II  
We ran by Kosciusko First Baptist Church for a brief visit with Dr. Rowe C. Holcomb and his folks. This is another one of these delightful Mississippi pastorates where the pastor and his wife are happy in a great fellowship. Brother Holcomb is one of our best preachers, and this church is an aggressive group.

III  
Another splendid State Mission revival is reported from Monroe County with Dr. J. M. Walker doing the preaching. There were twelve professions of faith. Bibles were placed in ten homes. This is more splendid State Mission work.

Another State Mission revival has been conducted by Associational Missionary, H. H. Ward, in Union County. There were four additions by letter, three for baptism; a Sunday school was organized; and a State Mission offering was taken. Brethren, the fields are white unto the harvest.

Brother Martin Gilbert reports a State Mission revival in the Oakland Heights area in which 43 people came saying they wanted to bring their membership looking toward organizing a church in that area. Twelve persons came upon profession of faith. Rev. J. L. Morgan, Toomsaba, was the preacher.

IV  
Honorable S. E. Travis, Hattiesburg, an outstanding Christian layman for many years writes as follows about the Convention Board, "The Board has made wonderful progress under your leadership. The Board is made up of as fine a body of brethren as can be found anywhere in the wide world. It has been delightful, refreshing, and strengthening to labor with that spirit-filled body, and I shall continue to cooperate in its work and to lend a helping hand wherever possible. I am anxious to be of some service in the spread of the Master's Kingdom, to the end of this earthly pilgrimage.

I am grateful beyond measure for the uniform kindnesses and courtesies extended by you and each member of the Board, and extend Christian Greetings and Best of Good Wishes to you and each member of the Board."

V  
We doubt if any other person in the state hears as many fine, inspiring, helpful, and victorious reports and testimonies as does the Executive Secretary of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board. We also share an occasional lamentation which we try to hear with sympathy and understanding. Then once in a great while somebody within and without the denomination hits "below the belt." Here is a "fast one" from a person who signs as a member of another denomination. We quote, "Just a line to let you know that — is not at this address any more and please don't send any more literature here. I don't believe in Baptists at all and don't want to be bothered. They don't have any kind of religion that I want and so drop his name from this address. Yours truly."

VI  
Many times we have stated verbally and written that the ideal distribution between State and Southwide Co-operative Program allocations is on a 50-50 basis. We will be able to reach that period when more of our churches reach a 50-50 allocation between church needs and beyond the church needs. We feel it is our business to make the distribution as the brethren make the decision in the board meeting, in the Mississippi Baptist Convention, or in the Southern Baptist Convention. It is not ours to decide the allocation. We merely state our feeling and judgment in the matter. We are ready for 50-50 distribution whenever the brethren decide the time has come for such distribution to be made.

VII  
Certainly your Executive Secretary, maybe more than most others, realizes that this office has been called upon to lead in too many campaigns in recent years. We did not lead in them because it was primarily our responsibility. As a matter of fact, we were under no obligation to lead in either the hospital campaign or the Mississippi College campaign. We led in them because we were interested in all of our work and desired to help great institutions.

The debt-paying campaign was primarily the responsibility of this office. Because we have had too many special campaigns, there will inevitably be a stronger reaction against having many special campaigns. Some special campaigns were conducted as recorded in the New Testament; therefore, within reason they are Scriptural. They were limited in number, however.

We are in favor, as we have been all along, of a great Co-operative Program emphasis and goal and reduce the number of special campaigns.

There is one danger, among others; and that is that our people may become cold and callous. In other words, with our tithe around \$16,000,000 at the present and with our bringing only about \$5,000,000 of this amount into the work of the Lord, whatever steps are taken by our churches and convention should be in the direction of getting the people to bring the remainder of the tithe into the work of the Lord plus offerings.

VIII  
On this trip to Parchman it was our privilege to preach in four new camps. One of the most depressing experiences of a lifetime was in seeing some white girls wearing stripes as they came into the service. After a Gospel message

one of them made a profession of faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.

At another camp the lady visitors stopped outside the assembly room instead of going into the assembly room, as in other instances. We noticed some very hard features crowding the faces of a few men in this group. We were not told until after the services that this camp housed some of the most hardened criminals. Yet, after a message on Jesus, 50 of these chaps, in the midst of their buddies, held up their hands asking for prayer; and 17 made professions of faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. The words of Paul still ring true: "Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners," even the chief of sinners. (1 Timothy 1:15)

Jesus gives this positive picture of the judgment: "When the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory:

And before him shall be gathered all nations; and he shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divideth his sheep from the goats:

And He shall set the sheep on his right hand, but the goats on his left. Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world:

For I was an hungred, and ye gave me meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink: I was a stranger, and ye took me in:

Naked, and ye clothed me: I was sick, and ye visited me: I was in prison, and ye came unto me.

Then shall the righteous answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we thee an hungred, and fed thee? or thirsty, and gave thee drink?

When saw we thee a stranger, and took thee in? or naked, and clothed thee? Or when saw we thee sick, or in prison, and came unto thee?

And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me." (Matthew 25:31-40)

IX  
A brother asked us sympathetically the other day what the percentage of overhead cost was in this office last year. We replied, "one and three tenths percent." He said, "I thought it was something like that, but I recently heard up here it was around 95 percent." To this I replied, "Yes, I heard one time that a dog had five legs but to my certain knowledge he still had four legs and one tail. I also heard that a man flew his airplane through the Milky Way and landed with 150 pounds of butter on each wing. I didn't much believe the story. I also heard that a man climbed a 100 foot thorn tree with a wild cat under each arm and didn't get a scratch. I didn't believe that either. Nor do I believe the tommyrot about the overhead cost being 95 percent, 85 percent, 55 percent, 25 percent, and so on. I happen to know that it was one and three tenths percent last year". It was proved away back in the day of Jesus that some people prefer a lie to the truth. They have descendants in our midst today.

X  
We believe a person has the right to believe that he will—even if what he believes is wrong. We do like to see people honest in their belief—particularly in the realm of religion. We have churches scattered over Mississippi that seem particularly anxious to go under the name "Missionary." We wish they were missionary! We travel all over this state every year, and we never see any of their missionary fruits. We have visited 18 countries on a trip around the world. We visited 14 countries in the Carribean, South America, and Central America. In addition we have been in Alaska, Mexico, and Cuba. On these trips we saw missionaries of Southern Baptists, Canadian Baptists, English Baptists, Methodists, Presbyterians, Anglican, Catholics, Church of God, Wesleyans, et cetera—but, we have never seen ONE missionary of this so-called "Missionary" (Anti) group. We repeat we wish they were missionary. We know all too well they are not! If people want to waste Christian testimony and throw away their lives with them, that is their business. God will hold them responsible! "Every man shall give an account of himself unto God!"

XI  
"How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things." (Romans 10:15) We think this one of the finest tributes paid the gospel minister in the entire Bible. God loves His minister! God calls His minister! God will not hold the church guiltless that abuses one of His ministers any more than will He hold the minister guiltless in abusing one of His churches. Note the emphasis "gospel of peace", and "glad tidings of good things." In this emphasis we have salvation, light, life, refreshment, satisfaction, peace, and happiness.

Today a letter comes to our desk regarding the unethical treatment accorded a pastor by the church. We know the pastor very well. He is one of these very fine preachers who helps make our Christian fellowship in Mississippi stand out. His purpose is fine. His spirit is fine. Surely the people in many places need a new heart.

The Coggin Avenue Baptist Church, Brownwood, Texas unanimously adopted a \$77,827.00 budget Sunday, October 20 which is the largest in its history. Tithing has been adopted as the plan for underwriting this financial program. Plans are complete and work will begin soon on a beautiful new \$300,000 house of worship which will replace the building lost by fire some months ago. H. H. Hargrove, native of Mississippi, is the pastor of this church.

Blue Mountain is 100 %: Miss Helen Bolt, Student Secretary at Blue Mountain College, advises that every student in the college is a Christian.

The Marion Baptist Church ordained two young men as deacons on Sunday October 13. They were Sam Lackey and Chestine Engell. We had a fine spiritual service and feel that both of these men will be worthy servants of the Lord and His Church.—Carl E. Talbert, pastor.



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## Taking Our Own Medicine

Because of so much Convention material this week and next we asked the departments to use as little space as they could without detriment to their work.

For their generous cooperation we are thankful. And to prove our thanks, we are leaving out some editorial material so that we may have more about the Convention.

—A. L. Goodrich

—BR—

## Reading The Bible

The American Bible Society is to be commended for its promotion of Bible reading between Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Of course the Bible Society does not mean that the Bible should be read only between Thanksgiving and Christmas. They hope that people who get into the Bible reading habit by reading the Bible from Thanksgiving to Christmas will then continue as regular Bible readers.

Pastors can aid the program of Bible reading by encouraging the people to Bible readers from Thanksgiving to Christmas. The pastor can also help by giving helpful facts about the passages to be read.

For his own sake the pastor should encourage Bible reading for Bible reading makes better Christians.

—BR—

## Concerning The Russian Bible Society

Recently copy for a half page advertisement was sent to the advertising department of the Baptist Record with the request that it be run in an early issue. A careful reading of the ad indicated that the cause was worthy and the appeal O.K. Accordingly the business department sent the copy to the printer and the ad appeared in the issue of September 19.

Reading the ad the editor felt that the cause was a worthy one and wrote an editorial advocating support of the Russian Bible So-

ciety. The editorial was intended for the same issue as the ad, but because of so many good articles that needed to be printed, the editorial was held out until the issue of October 17.

Recently there has come to the Baptist Record some information from a prominent Baptist concerning the Russian Bible Society which we consider trustworthy and which we feel should be shared with our readers.

The information follows: "I write this letter concerning an editorial in the BAPTIST RECORD of October 17. This editorial seems to take at face value all the things which are printed in the Russian Bible Society's advertisement recently appearing in your and other papers.

"Inasmuch as you are recommending that money for the Russian Bible Society be sent through your State Mission Board this would seem to call for some comment. You will, of course, understand that I have no right to tell Mississippi Baptists how they should spend their money, but I feel that inasmuch as I have spent many years abroad and am more or less familiar with conditions in many European countries it is my duty to give you a few facts which bear on this case.

(1) The director of the Russian Bible Society, Basil Malof, formerly bore the name of William Fetter. For reasons which he deems sufficient, he has recently changed his name. Some of his older children, however, still bear the name of Fetter.

"(2) I do not believe that Malof (Fetter) is printing any Russian Bibles, or is likely to get Bibles into Russia from this country. The American Bible Society is sending a few Russian Bibles into Russia, and Dr. Newton says in articles which he has published about his recent trip, that Russian Baptists are now printing Bibles in Russia. So there would seem to be no need of turning over money to Malof (Fetter) for Russian Bibles.

"(3) The Russian Bible Society does not yet have an accredited Bible School. The United States Government allows duly accredited colleges, universities, seminaries and training schools to bring students to America for study on a non-quota basis. Such students, however, must leave the United States when they finish their studies. Until the school of Malof (Fetter) is accredited and on the list of approved schools, it will be impossible to get non-quota visas to bring students to that school. I doubt very much whether any student receiving training in America will, in the near future, be admitted to do missionary work in Russia.

"(4) It is not easy to get Baptists out of Displaced Persons camps in Germany. Apart from students who may be admitted to accredited theological schools in our country, Displaced Persons must come in as immigrants. And they must come on the quota of the countries of which they were citizens at the outbreak of the war. Some one must furnish an affidavit of support before such persons can get a visa from our consuls in Germany admitting them to our country. The American Christian Committee for Refugees has been putting up a corporate affidavit for those who have no relatives to furnish affidavits. But a relatively small number of our brethren have been able to get visas permitting them to come to America.

"(5) Bringing Displaced Persons from Germany to our country is a part of the relief program of the Southern Baptist Convention. The Foreign Mission Board in Richmond is looking after this matter. Both Northern and Southern Baptists are co-operating with the Baptist World Alliance in an effort to bring out in the near future as many of these Baptist refugees as possible."

It would seem that the proper procedure would be for Mississippi Baptists to forward money for this purpose to the Convention Board. The office will then forward every cent of such funds to the Foreign Mission Board or other designated agencies.

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## Looking Up

From practically every Association this fall reports have come from the state workers who visited the annual sessions, to the effect that 'it was the best Association in years.' Everywhere the attendance has been good. The spirit of the Baptist people is fine. They are facing the future with faith in the Bible as the Word of God, and trying to carry out its teachings.

Almost without exception the reports reveal the largest gifts, the greatest increase in membership and Sunday schools that we recall.

Almost unanimous also are the reports that churches are repairing, rebuilding or enlarging their houses of worship. In Mississippi, people are certainly placing more emphasis on church loyalty than in many seasons. When the reports are made public after the closing of the books in the headquarters office for Mississippi Baptists, we predict the best record ever in our history.

This should challenge each one to an humble and earnest service in the future progress of the kingdom.

## Howell To Foxworth

In September Rev. E. L. Howell accepted the pastorate of Foxworth Baptist Church. He comes from Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth.

Rev. Howell was reared west of Columbia in the Darbun Community, having received his early education in the public school there. He later graduated with an A.B. degree from Mississippi College. His wife, the former Eunice Middleton, a native of Hazlehurst, graduated with a B. S. degree from Mississippi Southern and taught in public schools for a number of years. At Southwestern they graduated with Th. M. and M.R.E. degrees respectively. Foxworth feels very fortunate to have this man of God, his wife and a 13 year old daughter, Joan.

Recently the interior of the auditorium has been redecorated and a Baptistry built. At the present time there is under construction a modern annex consisting of 13 rooms, one large assembly room to be used for various activities of the church and a complete kitchen. This building will be valued at approximately \$6,000. This expansion has been needed a long time.

Within the past few months the church has experienced a rapid growth materially, financially, and spiritually. At the beginning of the new church year the budget was raised to \$6,319.00. A number of small accomplishments have been attained which contribute much to the general atmosphere of the worship. A Church bulletin is published weekly, ushers thoroughly trained, the Music Department is improving, all of which means much to the spirit of worship.

Before attending the Seminary, the Howells served at Hopewell and Sylva and other places with good results. Their return to Mississippi will be approved by all who knew them.

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## BLUE MT. BSU SPONSORS RELIGIOUS FOCUS WEEK Six Out-Of-State Speakers

The week of December 1-6 will be observed as Religious Focus Week at Blue Mountain College, according to a recent announcement by Barbara Laden, publicity chairman.

Included in the team of visiting speakers along with State Student Secretary, Charles W. Horner, will be Rev. Carl Bates, Leesburg, Florida; Dr. Frank Leavell, Southwide Student Secretary; Miss Jenny Lind Gatlin, Associate, Southwide Student Department; Bob Denny, Associate Student Worker; Dr. Elwyn N. Wilkinson, Lexington, Kentucky; and Dr. R. Paul Caudill, Memphis, Tennessee.

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## Edward McKeithan Ordained

On November 2 at 4 p.m. an examining council met at the Popular Springs Drive Baptist Church for the purpose of examining Edward McKeithan for his ordination to the Gospel Ministry. Rev. W. B. Abel was elected Moderator and Rev. Carl E. Talbert was elected clerk. After a thorough examination of his conversion and call to preach, and beliefs and convictions concerning the main doctrines of Baptists, he was recommended wholeheartedly to the church for ordination. He has been called as supply pastor for the Arkadelphia Baptist Church, Bailey, Miss. Bro. McKeithan is now studying at Clark College. Members of the council were: Rev. W. B. Abel, Rev. Carl E. Talbert, Rev. M. J. Gilbert, Rev. J. P. Gilbert and Rev. C. E. Dearman.

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**FOUR PROBLEMS NAMED  
BY PRESIDENT COX**  
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ough-going revision of the financial methods we have followed in recent years. I recommend: (1) that this convention adopt a goal of one million dollars for the 1947 Cooperative Program. That would give us \$300,000 for our colleges; \$200,000 for state missions; and \$100,000 for other state causes if we wanted to divide it that way. It would allocate \$400,000 to Southwide causes. And in addition thereto we would have our long eses served by the offering of our W-established appeals for the special caus-M.U. weeks of prayer and Sunday school special days.

(2). That each of our institutions be free and untrammelled in their right to solicit persons (not churches) for financial support for any cause or project of theirs that has previously been given convention approval.

(3). That the Convention Board, its executive secretary and his associates give their undivided leadership to promoting the Cooperative Program.

One may ask have not the church budgets already been made? The answer is largely yes. But it can safely be added that, if this convention will convince the churches that its one appeal to them is the Cooperative Program plus the long established support specials, the pastors and churches will in large numbers gladly revise their budgets.

I offer this plan in the confident expectation that it will increase the ability of our schools to provide for their needs. Experience has proved dozens of times that a Christian school can raise its own money for buildings and endowments better than the denomination can.

**A Word of Warning**

Warning! It is altogether probable that the gifts of Miss., Baptists in 1947 will be not quite as much as in 1946. Unless we have wild inflation 1948 will show a definite decline. Therefore we must not spend money that we do not have. We must trim our ship for a coming financial storm that is months away but is on the day. Above everything else Miss., Baptists must renew, strengthen and persist in their evangelistic emphasis. The heart of our Lord Jesus Christ is compassionately burdened for the need of the half million lost souls in our state. He is calling us to share his compassion. Vastly more important than financial programs and denominational machinery is our quest for the lost. May the Holy Spirit fill our hearts with a holy urge to seek through highways and hedges, the city and the country until we have found and witnessed to these lost souls in such a way that each shall know that our Christ and our own hearts care for them.

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**Deacons Ordained At Philipp**

Seven new deacons who were elected by the church were ordained on October 30, at the Philipp Baptist church. Pastor O. B. Robertson presided at the ordination and Rev. David Cranford of Charleston brought the message and the charge. Philipp now has nine deacons. Those newly ordained were: E. L. English, Clyde Martin, J. A. Burkhalter, S. A. Parrish, S. T. Lewis, Frank Norwood and T. J. Saffly. Assisting in the laying on of hands were four other deacons.

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You can give without loving, but you cannot love without giving. Your love for the boys and girls of the Orphanage will be measured by your gift at this THANKSGIVING SEASON.

**ROGERS THRILLS CONVENTION**  
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**THEY SHALL THEY LEARN WAR ANYMORE" (Isa. 2:4).**

The provision for the consummation of this gigantic program was made when Christ built His Church on the Rock and proclaimed its immunity against defeat at the hands of the hordes of Hell, sending His disciples of all time out on a world-wide crusade of evangelism. The urgency of the task was emphasized when Paul "DETERMINED NOT TO KNOW ANYTHING AMONG YOU SAVE JESUS CHRIST AND HIM CRUCIFIED" (I Cor. 2:2). The beloved apostle John established the pre-eminence of the message of the Church by declaring: "THIS THEN IS THE MESSAGE WHICH WE HAVE HEARD OF HIM, AND DECLARE UNTO YOU, THAT GOD IS LIGHT AND IN HIM IS NO DARKNESS AT ALL . . . . AND THE BLOOD OF JESUS CHRIST HIS SON CLEANSETH US FROM ALL SIN" (I Jno. 1:5-7).

This conviction did not belong alone to the Ancient Seers, for William Carey, looking back across the centuries to the days of Issiah and across the broad expanse of the sinful world of his day and generation, seized upon this text and challenged his fellows to "ATTEMPT GREAT THINGS FOR GOD AND EXPECT GREAT THINGS FROM GOD". Speeding on down to this very hour as we assemble here in this beautiful and commodious Sanctuary, surrounded by the luxuries and unstinted bounties of our God, let us not forget for a moment that the world in which we live is a veritable madhouse, a world that has broken loose from its moral and mental moorings and drifting on a dangerous sea with the angry waves of Godlessness and Materialism beating our bark to pieces, and the sole hope for safety and salvation is the proclamation and acceptance of the message of the Church of Jesus Christ, and the authoritative command of our blessed Saviour "PEACE BE STILL".

In that far off day of our text the great Phophet had a vision of The Greatness, The Holiness, The Purity and Righteousness of our God and came to realize something of His justice and mercy as it was to affect the Human Race and at the same time he had a revelation of the shameful state of man with an unclean heart, foul lips and unholy conduct — two extremes that could never be brought into harmony by anything this old world possessed. It was then that God lengthened his vision to Calvary and permitted him to see that "HE HATH MADE HIM TO BE SIN FOR US WHO KNEW NO SIN: THAT WE MIGHT BE MADE THE RIGHTEOUSNESS OF GOD IN HIM" (2 Cor. 5:21), and he cried out as one who had discovered Earth's richest treasure: "SURELY HE HATH BORNE OUR GRIEFS, AND CARRIED OUR SORROWS, YET WE DID ESTEEM HIM STRICKEN, SMITTEN OF GOD AND AFFLICTED. BUT HE WAS WOUNDED FOR OUR TRANSGRESSIONS, HE WAS BRUISED FOR OUR INIQUITIES, THE CHASTISEMENT OF OUR PEACE WAS UPON HIM AND WITH HIS STRIPES WE ARE HEALED. ALL WE LIKE SHEEP HAVE GONE ASTRAY, WE HAVE TURNED EVERYONE TO HIS OWN WAY AND THE LORD HATH LAID ON HIM THE INIQUITY OF US ALL"

(Isa. 53:4-6). With this throbbing vision of Light pitted against Darkness, Truth battling with Error and Life offered for Death, it is little wonder that in the very next chapter Issiah should shout God's marching orders to the Church, the custodian of the message of Life and Salvation, to: "ENLARGE THE PLACE OF THY TENT, AND LET THEM STRETCH FORTH THE CURTAINS OF THINE HABITATION: SPARE NOT, LENGTHEN THY CORDS, AND STRENGTHEN THY STAKES".

God is still Holy, Pure and Righteous and man is still slimy and filthy with sin and the shed blood of our Blessed Saviour is the only panacea for the fatal ills of Earth, and only by an aggressive, enlarged and greatly intensified program of Evangelism and Enlistment by the Church can the terrible tide of iniquity be stemmed.

Let us remember also, that this is a day of growth and the spirit of enlargement and expansion permeates the whole atmosphere on land and sea. Industry has spread its wings to tremendous proportions, Agriculture has pushed back its borders, Education has lengthened its pace, Science and Invention have completely revolutionized our methods and practices, while the Church, the balance wheel of the Earth, has, in many instances, been contented to hold the same pace set by our forefathers. A 20th century civilization with an antiquated Church program can spell but on thing; and that is destruction. As the mechanic devised and installed the governor to control the speed of the motor, so Christ planted His Church in the world to safeguard a balanced life among His people without which the world will run away, and it is high time we are building our church programs to meet current needs.

On Wednesday evening of Convention Week last year, we sat in this very auditorium and listened to Brother Courts Redford during his marvelous discussion of our Home Mission work and as he outlined the crying needs of a field white unto harvest I thought of my own church and its possible part in meeting this need and I seemed to hear a voice which said "ENLARGE THE PLACE OF THY TENT, AND LET THEM STRETCH FORTH THE CURTAINS OF THINE HABITATIONS: SPARE NOT, LENGTHEN THY CORDS AND STRENGTHEN THY STAKES", and the next morning when the report of the committee was read and I heard the name of this unworthy Country Preacher called to preach the Convention Sermon for this year, I passed out for the moment under the greatest shock of my ministry, but as I regained my faculties the words that came to me were the words of our text and during these months I have not been able to get away from them and the need of their application to our day and generation.

As we studied the text then looked on our activities it seemed that we had misread the message and merely enlarged the tent rather than enlarging the PLACE of the tent, for while it is highly important to enlarge our plants, and physical equipment as many of us have, it is vastly more important to enlarge the scope of our activities and the sphere of the influence of the Church. It is greatly feared that in our zeal to expand our properties and organizations we have centered our efforts around a place and a day rather than expanding the ministry of the Church to a seven day program and reaching every nook and corner of our community and every province and domain of the earth. The value of Classrooms, Assembly Rooms and Auditoriums cannot be over estimated but unless the Church overflows these limitations and lets its shadows, influence and ministry reach out into the Home, The School, The Office, The

Factory, The Forest and Fields, yea into the Highways and Hedges we shall never be able to stem the surging tide of worldliness and iniquity that is already a menacing threat to our civilization.

The worms of tolerance, neglect and divorce are eating at the very vitals of our homes, the bulwark of our civilization, and the only corrective antidote for this terrible epidemic is the Gospel of the Christ of Calvary and the only agency available to administer the remedy is the Church of Jesus Christ. Unless the Church enlarges its place and influence to reach and recover our Christian Home Life, surely all hope of our civilization is gone. Through every means at our command we must restore the conviction as to the sacredness and endurance of the marriage vow, reinstate the family altar and inspire parental authority and fidelity.

Our schools and colleges, which rank next to our homes in the important bearing which they have upon the character and moral and spiritual structure of our children are fast opening their doors to instructors who are vicious agnostics and infidels, many of whom leave no stone unturned to imbue the minds of our youth with their Satanic doctrines. Unless the Church and its constituency is willing to enlarge the place of its ministry and initiate some form of reformation, God only knows what sort of citizenship we will have within the next few generations for already the "FAITH OF OUR FATHERS" is being attacked with violence and audacity.

Aside from these, dishonesty in business, hatred and animosity in industry, impurity in social life, deception and decay in political life all add their unwholesome odor to an atmosphere already laden with the stench of impurity and moral decay. Oh, Church of Christ, Where is your salt, the only savoring influence known to God or man? Oh, Christian Soldiers where is your light, the only means of dispelling the darkness and gloom that has settled upon us?

And shall we not weep and wail for the true message of the Church of Christ to come into the hearts of so-called preachers of the Gospel, who deny the Virgin Birth of our Saviour and the blessed doctrine of Atonement and deny the presence of sanity and intelligence in those faithful Apostles who believe, teach and proclaim the true Gospel message in "all its purity as it is in Christ Jesus? Would to God our churches might awake, arise, shake off the shackles, enlarge the place of our tents to the extent that we might exert an influence that would be felt in every corner of the globe. Oh, God, let my Church so hold up Christ and Him crucified that His transforming power and Grace will give our men and women courage to honor God every day in every walk of life; give to our youth faith and fortitude to withstand the temptations of life and harness their all for God's glory; and give to our children the understanding and purpose to learn to be about the Father's business in the tender years of their lives.

Isaiah's use of the tent to symbolize the truth of God's message brings to our minds the scenes of childhood days, when as a raw country boy, I watched the circus tent being erected, and how impressive was the setting and strengthening of the stakes, the life of the great tent. So I remember that an enlarged tent means stronger stakes, and may we suggest some strong stakes that my church and yours must drive deep into the soil of our opportunity if we are to spread forth the curtains of our spiritual habitation and cover the ground that God has given to us to subdue and cultivate for His glory.

The first stake that needs to be strengthened and driven deep is the stake of KNOWLEDGE. When Hosea declared "MY PEOPLE ARE DESTROYED FOR LACK OF KNOWLEDGE" (Hos.

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## Woman's Missionary Union

President—Mrs. Wilma B. Sledge, Jackson; Exec. Sec'y—Miss Edwina Robinson

### ALLOCATIONS FOR \$600,000 OF 1946 CHRISTMAS OFFERING FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS

(The Goal is \$1,000,000 but the other allocations will be worked out with the Foreign Mission Board after the money has been received. This list is a summary list but a full list of each object can be found in the Week of Prayer literature).

Missionaries' Salaries	\$112,500
Education of Missionaries' Sons and Daughters (Margaret Fund)	22,000
Training Schools for Women on Foreign Fields	32,000
W.M.U. Work on Foreign Fields	22,700
Schools (including Seminaries)	126,200
Publication Work	53,500
Hospitals and Leper Work	17,900
Church and Residence Buildings	110,200
Goodwill Center Work	8,100
Radio, Launch and Transportation	19,900
Japan (To be itemized later)	50,000
Memorial in Europe to Mrs. F. W. Armstrong	25,000
	<b>\$600,000</b>

Dr. M. Theron Rankin, Secretary of the Foreign Mission Board quotes some paragraphs written to the Foreign Mission Board by a Baptist layman who served as a naval commander in charge of a unit of Seabees in the Pacific. He wrote from Japan, after our armed forces had entered that country:

"Compared to the way we put on a war, we have played and toyed with missions. There is something lacking in society which impels us to spend three and one half trillions for destruction, when one-third of that amount would prevent wars for the future. We throw out our chests in speaking of accomplishments when we should hang our heads in shame. A program for missions with anything less than half the cost of this war is no challenge to the people. We are stepping on our own traces in our dealings with the rest of the Christians of the world. Littleness will prevail always if the vision is little. In the midst of bombed ruins we are able to sit with the Japanese and sing 'Blest Be the Tie.' From the window of a home where we were worshipping with Japanese, there lay below us in the valled charred ruins, twisted steel, dirt, filth, destruction, the pointing finger, pointing at us because Christians of the world did not catch the pendulum back in the days when Shinto shrines were set up all over Japan to centralize the thinking of the people—purely a political movement. Emperor worship is shaking today and the people are saying, 'We have been cheated.' The spirit of 'Blest Be the Tie That Binds' cannot mature into a movement without workers of indomitable spirit backed by missions of dollars, nor until we are willing to step down off our thrones of self-sufficiency and draw up an 'Insurance Policy' against destruction for our children's children.

I spoke to four hundred young men at Seinen Gakuin College, Fukuoka. Sadamota Kawano, Chaplain, was my host and interpreter. Two hundred of those boys were Christians. No American audience has so inspired or challenged me to give out my best. Not one

pair of eyes turned to the side during the thirty minutes of reverence and attention. Although they killed my son, God grided the avarice, cruelty, calumny, crime and virulence that led us to war. I was able to overcome my personal loss and give them a version of what will bring harmony, unity, and peace, through personal consecration, obedience to God's laws, vision without restraints and indomitable enthusiasm."

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## Sunday School Lesson

By Hight C. Moore

### PAUL MINISTRES TO THE THESSALONIANS

#### Lesson Text and Outline

Lesson for November 17. Acts 17:1-7; I Thessalonians 1:2-8  
I. FOUNDING OF THE CHURCH (Acts 17)

1 Now when they had passed through Amphipolis and Apollonia, they came to Thessalonica, where was a synagogue of the Jews:

2 And Paul, as his manner was, went in unto them, and three sabbath days reasoned with them out of the scriptures.

3 Opening and alleging, that Christ must needs have suffered, and risen again from the dead: and that this Jesus, whom I preach unto you, is Christ.

4 And some of them believed, and consorted with Paul and Silas; and of the devout Greeks a great multitude, and of the chief women not a few.

5 But the Jews which believed not, moved with envy, took unto them certain lewd fellows of the baser sort, and gathered a company, and set all the city on an uproar, and assaulted the house of Jason, and sought to bring them out to the people.

6 And when they found them not, they drew Jason and certain brethren unto the rulers of the city, crying, These that have turned the world upside down are come hither also;

7 Whom Jason hath received: and these all do contrary to the decrees of Caesar, saying that there is another king, one Jesus.

### II. FURTHERANCE OF THE GOSPEL (I Thessalonians 1)

2 We give thanks to God always for you all, making mention of you in our prayers;

3 Remembering without ceasing your work of faith, and labour of love, and patience of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ, in the sight of God and our Father;

4 Knowing, brethren beloved, your election of God, but also in power, and in the Holy Ghost, and in much assurance: as ye know what manner of men we were among you for your sake.

6 And ye became followers of us, and of the Lord, having received the word in much affliction, with joy of the Holy Ghost:

7 So that ye were ensamples to all that believe in Macedonia and Achaia.

8 For from you sounded out the word of the Lord not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but also in every place your faith to God-ward is spread abroad; so that we need not to speak any thing.



REV. W. S. HARDIN

## Hardin Celebrates Fifth Anniversary

Pastor and Mrs. W. S. Hardin were honored on November 3 when the fifth anniversary of the pastorate was observed at the Drew Baptist church. During this time Drew has gained 407 members, now having a total of 669.

Tithes and offerings during the first associational year of Pastor Hardin's administration were \$8,272.19, and for this past associational year were \$18,297.36. Total contributions during the five year period have been \$68,982.56.

The Drew pastor has been active in civic as well as church work. In describing him the local paper had the following comment:

To say that the Hardins have been successful in Drew would not be adequate. One must know of the many contributions made to be able to appreciate the work accomplished. Ready always to do his part, working for the best and urging others to do right both in spiritual affairs and civic affairs would probably come nearer describing the work of W. S. Hardin than any long writeup of his five years service in Drew.

## Ministers Participating In Retirement Plan 1946

(A partial list. Watch for others to follow.)

Abel, Rev. W. B., Meridian	Brooks, Rev. Earl, Weir
Allen, Rev. W. S., Pass Christian	Brown, Rev. T. D., Macon
Andrews, Rev. Samuel P., Houlika	Burnett, Rev. J. M., Auburn
Ashley, Rev. Thomas E., Clinton	Burnette, Rev. L. E., Lexington
Aultman, Rev. H. H., Holly Springs	Burson, Rev. J. J., Shelby
Barnhill, Rev. J. A., Jackson	Byrd, Rev. Ed. L., Meridian
Bankston, Rev. R. O., Lamar	Bryant, Rev. W. C., Pontotoc
Barnes, Rev. J. E. Jr., Hattiesburg	Canterbury, Rev. Kermit, Charleston
Bell, Dr. W. A., Hattiesburg	Carter, Rev. W. O., R-2, Brookhaven
Bennett, Rev. H. J., Clinton	Chappell, Rev. J. O., Columbia
Beverly, Rev. O. B., Flora	Chastain, Rev. Judson, Poplarville
Bilbo, Rev. E. M., Hattiesburg	Childress, Rev. A. H., Coffeeville
Black, Rev. C. W., Shivers	Cobb, Rev. John R., New Orleans
Booker, Rev. Fred B., McComb	Collins, Rev. H. M., R-2, Houston
Boothe, Rev. Paul D., Port Gibson	Compere, Rev. W. L., Jackson
Booth, Rev. Thurman, Terry	Cook, Rev. J. W. Jr., Laurel
Borah, Rev. H. A., Sturgis	Cothen, Rev. J. A., Hattiesburg R-1
Bowen, Rev. Claud B., Jackson	Cothen, Rev. J. H., R-5, Hattiesburg
Boyd, Rev. J. L. Jr., Shuqualak, Box 51	Coulter, Rev. T. R., Taylorsville
Brame, Rev. Well, Yazoo City	Courson, Rev. J. L., Toccoola
Brantley, Rev. J. F., Richton	Cox, Rev. H. C., Mantee
Brigance, Rev. R. E., Gloster	Cox, Dr. Norman W., Meridian
Brister, Rev. James Nolon, Anding	
Brock, Rev. J. F., Moss Point	

Note: Every Mississippi Baptist Pastor should be a participant in the Ministers' Retirement Plan. It is growing all the time. Write Dr. D. A. McCall, Baptist Building, Jackson, Mississippi, for application blanks. The names listed above are only a few of our several hundred pastors "who belong." Watch for other member lists to follow.

## Mississippi Calendar Of Prayer

November 18—Mrs. R. E. Holmes, Neshoba County W.M.U. Superintendent, District 5; Mrs. Elizabeth Stamps, Member Home Economics Faculty, Blue Mountain College.

November 19—T. M. Hederman, Trustee, Mississippi College; C. L. Bucy, Lee County Associational Sunday School Superintendent.

November 20—Dr. Norman Price, Blue Mountain College Trustee; R. L. Godwin, Trustee, Baptist Orphanage.

November 21—C. D. Shields, Trustee, Property Clarke Memorial College; H. E. Denson, Leake County Associational Sunday School Superintendent.

November 22—L. E. Cliburn, Neshoba County Associational B.T.U. Director; M. A. Mayo, Sunday School Superintendent, Lebanon Association.

November 23—Rev. Carey E. Cox, Trustee, Woman's College; Pray for and give toward the Thanksgiving Offering for the Baptist Orphanage.

November 24—Rev. J. D. Walker, Trustee, Mississippi Baptist Hospital; Miss Ethel Barnett, Pearl River County Associational B.T.U. Director.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE

November 10, 1946

	S.S.	B.T.U.
Pascagoula, First	642	129
Jackson, Calvary	1,100	191
Jackson, Calvary including Stone St. Mission	1,159	221
Jackson, Northside	213	73
Jackson, Southside	131	46
Jackson, Van Winkle	174	82
Newton	462	97
West Laurel	434	86
New Albany	325	142
Jackson, Parkway	444	122
Darling	43	
Jackson, Daniel	182	40
Oloh, Marion County	69	57
New Zion, Copiah County	73	
West Point	350	61
Booneville	153	75
Batesville	134	40
Brooklyn	115	59
Brooklyn	636	64
Crystal Springs	430	58
Hattiesburg, Main St.	690	322
Centreville	127	
Laurel, Beacon	229	56
Boyle	131	31
Summit	142	95
November 3, 1946		
Natchez, Westside	109	68
Yazoo City, Second	79	52
Columbus, First	735	240
Meridian, 15th Ave.	560	125
Boyle	167	47

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Associates: Joe Abrams, Louise Hill, Clarice Conner, Alene Johnson



VERSIL CRENSHAW

Mr. Versil Crenshaw, southwide Intermediate Training Union Leader is to be with us for the Associational Officers meeting in Jackson, December 2nd. This meeting is to be held at First Baptist Church and we are encouraged to believe we are going to have a great meeting with a good representative crowd from all over the state. We are receiving letters from Associational directors saying "We are making plans to be in the meeting December 2nd." Mr. Crenshaw will have the conference for Intermediate Associational Leaders, and will also bring a special message to the entire group.



MISS LOUISE HILL

Miss Louise Hill began her work with the Training Union Department, May 1944, and has rendered splendid service in each phase of the work. She was promoting as her special assignment the Associational work, but has been assigned the promotional work of Young People and Intermediates. In this capacity she is doing a grand job. These departments are growing steadily and are challenging our churches to wake up to the opportunity of building a greater future through the training of these young Baptists. Miss Hill will lead the conference Associational Young People's Leaders in the December 2nd meeting of Associational Officers.

## OAK GROVE MISSISSIPPI ASSOCIATION ORGANIZES TRAINING UNION

The attractive little church Oak Grove, was the scene of another RED

LETTER day in Training Union work in Mississippi Association when a large group assembled Sunday evening October 20th and organized a Training Union. The associational director was invited to attend and assist in the work. Three units were organized, Adults, Young People and Juniors. The following officers were elected: Director, Alfred Carraway; Associate Director, Homer Fenn; Secretary, Miss Audrey Fenn; Chorister, James McGehee; pianist, Miss Peggy Jean Fenn; Adult President, Clinton Fenn; Young People's Counselor, Mrs. Ida Mae Reeves; Junior Leader, Mrs. L. C. Townsend. The entire group was enthusiastic over the plans for the union. Pastor W. M. McGehee is seeking to develop the church life in all phases of the work. He is elated over this new Training Union. He is also leading the church in a building program.—Mrs. A. G. Felder, Associational Director.

## CONGRATULATIONS TO BOYLE

Thanks to Mrs. C. C. Carraway for a good report on the newly organized Training Union at Boyle. Mrs. Carraway is the director and the others who will help in an official capacity are: Adult President, J. B. Hill; Intermediate Leader, Mrs. L. G. Keith; Junior Leader, Mrs. Loyce Horne Story Hour Leader, Mrs. R. D. Baker. They are rejoicing over the growing interest on the part of the church in this training program.

## GULF COAST ELECTS HARPER

Many of our Associational Training Unions find it wise to continue a good officer for an indefinite length of time, but it is always fine when it is necessary for an officer to resign to have another capable person ready to take over. This proves true in the Gulfcoast association. Mr. B. V. Harper director of the Gulfport Training Union has recently been elected as Associational Director. Mr. Harper loves the work and will give time to the planning and executing the plans for the association. He writes for suggestions which are always gladly given to anyone desiring them.

## LAUDERDALE LEADERSHIP SCHOOL

The best (from several standpoints) Leadership School the Training Union Department has conducted this year was the Lauderdale Co., Associational Leadership School held with the 41st Ave., Baptist Church, Meridian, Oct. 13-18. The attendance was good with fifteen churches represented in the classes. A number of pastors along with their leaders came. The spirit was wonderful, and the challenge for a greater training program for the association was accepted. Missionary Martin Gilbert, and director Irmo-gene Tucker had laid good plans for the school. A splendid program of advertising had been carried on for months and so the churches responded. Following the Leadership School, nine churches conducted a study course, seven of them using outside workers.

Space forbids a discussion of the work in each church, but Joe Abrams served the Center Grove church. They

## Aeronca Champion Scores Again



Mr. Ed Ferckel and Mr. Johnie Cleveland of Johnie Cleveland's Air Service stand with Dr. Scotchie McCall in front of Dr. McCall's new Aeronca Champion in which he soloed Wednesday, October 31. Dr. McCall will use the plane in his work for Christ. The tremendous amount of time saved in flying to his churches enables him to make many more calls in the same length of time.

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had an average attendance of 45. They had no union but organized one with three units that week. Mr. Abrams says the people were most cooperative and he feels that it was a great week. Reports from the workers in the other churches were likewise encouraging.

## PASTORS AND LAYMEN EMPHASIZE RURAL CHURCHES

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tary of the conference. Here before the only office has been that of president.

Humor stalked the pews of Jackson's First Church when Luther Turner and W. A. "Slick" Greene, in afternoon and evening sessions respectively, gave illustrations of humorous incidents in their rural pastorates. Mark Twain could have done no better and the audience enjoyed this departure from the usual program. The conference, however, was most serious in its deliberations and speaker after speaker elaborated upon the respective merits of full time rural work.

## PERTINENT POINTS

Zeno Wells, Silver Creek (Pike County) pastor said, "we need to begin at the level where our people are and lead them out" as he gave testimony to the progress of his particular rural work. "There is a growing need of larger churches aiding the smaller country churches", he admonished his listeners.

W. H. Wood, pastor at Oakvale in

Lawrence County, telling of the power of the mid-week prayer service in his churches said, "Get people to study the Word and you'll get them to act for the Lord."

Luther Turner, Greene County, made this aside from his humorous vein of speech, "We ought to put more joy in our Christianity."

Dean Martin V. McKinster of Clarke College, speaking at the opening session of the conference, using "The Needs of the Country Church" for his assigned address, stressed the fact that "the country church needs a people, a place, a policy, a program, a power and a passion". The audience response to Dean McKinster's speech was such that a resolution was passed that the address in its entirety be printed in The Baptist Record.

Dr. Fred B. Mosley, recently called to the pastorate at Lucedale, opened the afternoon session with a devotional from Luke 5:4 and used as his subject, "A Venture of Faith". "We need the obedient spirit of the Apostle Peter which caused him to go beyond this original effort, and in a venture of faith, find the results which will bring us unto a closer relationship with the Master".

"If you would make your country church a great one, make it a missionary church", concluded Dean McKinster.

Bruce C. Altman, Hattiesburg attorney and prominent Baptist layman, directing the evening devotional re-

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## Sunday School Department

E. C. WILLIAMS, Secretary

W. R. ROBERTS, Associate

MISS CAROLYN MADISON, Elementary Secretary

### WHEN LOVE RUNS HIGH

There are times when love runs unusually high. It is in evidence on many occasions and under various circumstances.

It is very noticeable in times of deep sorrow and pungent grief. It is to the forefront when the soul is moved profoundly because of some dire need that has arisen among the people. It is also much in evidence when some loved one has made a great sacrifice for others than his own.

But, there is possibly no occasion known to man when love runs quite so high as the latter part of Sunday morning and the early part of Sunday evening. It is also much more in evidence among the male sex, for some strange and rather puzzling reason.

For instance: A man will stay away from his wife and children the entire week (and think but little of it), but when Sunday morning comes he has an almost indescribable love for his family; a love so deep and pungent that it simply will not let go of him—until about one o'clock in the afternoon and then again about 8:30 that night. He simply cannot go to church for his love of the family. We just will not be so cruel and awful and mean as to walk off (or even ride) to church and leave his dear family that, for some reason, cannot go. No sir; not him. Others may do so if they like, but not this big double-jointed he-man, who knows his way about town. He will not run the risk of criticism from his neighbors and friends for such a lowdown, cowardly act as leaving his family to go to church. He loves them too much. Love is running exceedingly high (on those two occasions each week).

But, just after the church services are over on Sunday, this fellow who loved his family so much then, thinks nothing of marching right off before them and staying for one or more days. Ain't love strange? Don't it act funny? It just can't be described, that is, this kind cannot. Why, he will even stay for an entire week if business needs him; but not for a short time on Sundays for the church services.

Recently we were in a home where lived only a man and his wife. Three years ago they moved into that community from another ten miles away. They had not moved their church membership. They now live within one-half mile of the Baptist church in the community. The lady said she had tried to get her husband to go but he would not go off and leave her.

Not seeing her husband present, then, we asked her where he was and she said he had gone to town. And "town" was 12 miles away. No, he would not go and leave her for a short time on Sunday to go to the church, but he felt nothing of going to town and leaving her for hours.

She also said they had no car, or means of going. But she said several of the neighbors had asked them to go with them; but they did not want to trouble the neighbors. So, we asked her how her husband got to town that morning (12 miles away), and

she said he got a ride with one of the neighbors.

Yes, love surely does run high with some people—at church time.

Consistency, thou art a jewel!

### October Standards

**Schools:** Myrtle, Rev. Percy Ray, pastor, Troy Gresham, superintendent; Hepzibah, Rev. W. H. Wood, pastor, J. B. Speights, superintendent.

**Departments:** Primary, McComb First, Mrs. W. F. Cotten, superintendent; Intermediate, Daniel, Mrs. G. M. Harris, superintendent.

**Classes:** Shining Lights, Hattiesburg First, Department B, Mrs. Willie Stevens; Victory, Intermediate, Itta Bena, Mrs. C. H. Murphey; J. O. Y., Intermediate, Daniel, Neal Hollingsworth; Pilots, Intermediate, Daniel, A. B. Fortenberry; Misiah Maids, Intermediate, Daniel, Mrs. Sanderford; Busy Bees, Intermediate, Daniel, Miss Marion Fleming; Gleaners, Intermediate, Daniel, Mrs. D. L. Love; Fidelis, Adult, Crystal Springs, Mrs. Otho Messer.

**Gold Sealers:** (Intermediate classes and department, New Albany) Kingdom Seekers, Mrs. Lacy Hale; Sons of Truth, H. N. Graham; Ambassadors, Lawrence Loden; Rainbow Girls, Mrs. E. C. Caldwell; Goal Reachers, A. L. Beavers; True Blue Girls, Mrs. H. N. Graham. Mrs. Varda Smith, superintendent.

We are indeed grateful to the leaders of all these units for the good work in bringing theirs to standard recognition. Especially are we grateful to the above mentioned classes and department of New Albany church for having reached the standard the first quarter and maintaining it throughout the entire Sunday school year, thus receiving the Gold Seal. This is mighty fine work and could be emulated by others by just a very little more effort on their part.

### We Visited the Workshop

During a recent week's work in the First Baptist Church at Columbus, it was the privilege of the State Sunday school force to visit the Baptist workshop at M.S.C.W. Each day at noon we met for the prayer meeting with between 100 and 125 of our fine Baptist girls. They were excellent listeners to the messages that it was our joy to bring to them. We heartily commend Miss Margaret McClellan for the splendid work she is doing with our own girls in this state school.

### Thanksgiving Service Planned For Homewood Church

According to the pastor, Rev. G. R. Hudson, Homewood Church, Smith County, is planning a Thanksgiving service, for Saturday afternoon, November 16. Exercises will start at 2:00 o'clock.

Secretary D. A. McCall, Executive Secretary of the Baptist Convention Board will deliver the Thanksgiving address.

All members of Homewood Church and friends are urged to bring either cash or produce for the new church building which is being planned.

From the bulletin of First Church, West Point, we learn that Rev. James C. Taylor has been called as pastor. We hope to have more information in next week's issue.



REV. QUENTON FLOYD

### Floyd Accepts Bentonia Call

Rev. Quenton Floyd has resigned as pastor of the New Sight church in Lincoln county and accepted the call to the Bentonia church. The new Bentonia pastor, was reared at Magee, Miss. He graduated at Draughton's Commercial College, and has started his work at Mississippi College, where he expects to complete his training. His wife is the former Miss Mildred Brown of McLain. Bentonia citizens will extend a warm welcome to the new Baptist preacher.

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### MRS. JULIA SHARP LOW

Mrs. Julia Sharp Low, 82, mother-in-law of Rev. Barney Thames of Trinity, Texas, died in Texas, while visiting her daughter. She was buried at Laurel, Miss., on October 24. Funeral services were conducted at First Baptist church with Pastor James Parrish in charge, assisted by Dr. L. G. Gates. Mrs. Low was the widow of Rev. J. L. Low and was a faithful Christian to the day of her death. Many friends will extend condolences to the bereaved.

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### ADAMS AND DYKES LEAD BLUE MOUNTAIN REVIVAL 38 Additions--7 Dedications

BLUE MOUNTAIN, Miss., Nov. 6.—Last week Lowrey Memorial Baptist Church of Blue Mountain experienced a great revival. It was deep, spiritual, and genuine. God came down and met with his people and the Holy Spirit wrought in their hearts. The church has been richly blessed as a result.

Dr. Marvin Adams, Pastor of the First Baptist Church, Middlesboro, Kentucky, did the preaching, and Rev. Ray F. Dykes, Pastor of the Forty-First Avenue Baptist Church, Meridian, Mississippi, led the singing. Dr. Adams is a sincere, warm-hearted preacher of God's blessed word. Brother Dykes is a fine song leader and soloist. They made a great team and rendered fine service.

There were 38 additions to the church; 28 by baptism, 10 by letter. There were 7 fine young women of Blue Mountain College who dedicated themselves to God in answer to His call to definite Christian service.

The pastor, Brother C. J. Smyly, led in prayerful preparation for the revival. Four prayer meetings were held in the homes of members of the church every night for a week prior to the meeting. Brother Smyly arranged for buses to run every night of the revival to bring in people living within a radius of six miles from Blue Mountain.

## SPARKS & SPLINTERS

Darlove church, Deer Creek Association, was burned on the night of October 24. They plan to rebuild with brick if possible. W. D. Jones, treasurer writes that the road looks long and rocky. He also states that any donation will be greatly appreciated. His address is Darlove.

**PICAYUNE** — Announcement was made from Bethelhem Baptist church that Rev. G. C. Stockstill has accepted the call to serve as pastor there to fill the position held by Rev. T. W. McDaniel of Franklinton, La., who recently resigned.

The Slayden Church recently called the Rev. R. O. Bankston as pastor for another year. The church has ordered a new pulpit and choir chair. The State Mission Offering has gone over \$100 and the church is looking forward to the Thanksgiving Offering for the Baptist Orphanage. Members of the W.M.S. are beautifying the grounds with flowers and shrubs.—Boyd Watkins, reporter.

Rev. Earl George, Jr., student in the New Orleans Seminary, has accepted the call of the church at Madisonville, La. He recently resigned the church at Donaldsonville to accept the Madisonville call. Brother George is from Jackson and is a graduate of Mississippi College.

"The Christ of the Gospels" by J. W. Shepard, M.A., Th.D. is the third and a revised edition of the book by Dr. Shepard. The other editions had a wide circulation and glad welcome by Bible readers. This edition is sure to make its way into a wider field. The book is a combination of biography of Jesus, commentary on the Four Gospels and a handbook of Biblical Theology. It is rich in interpretation, sane in approach and inspiring in outlook. Anybody who reads it will be grateful to the author for this contribution to a better understanding of the Bible. It combines thorough scholarship with spiritual insight. The author is the honored head of New Testament Interpretation in New Orleans Baptist Seminary. The book contains 650 pages, including a Bibliography and Indexes; and is priced at \$5.00. It can be had of the author or the Baptist Book Store.—P. I. Lipsey.

Sumrall Baptists are welcoming their new pastor, Rev. E. M. Bilbo, who came on the field November first. Sumrall which has been half time for ten years or more began a full time program November first.

The work and ministry of the Orphanage is supported by 6% from the Cooperative Program, special Thanksgiving Offering and gifts from individuals. This is the time of the year when all loyal Baptists will come to the aid of this worthwhile institution by making a liberal cash offering during the THANKSGIVING SEASON.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT!** The children of the Orphanage are counting on you to do your best for them at this THANKSGIVING SEASON. Remind your people and they will gladly respond.

In a recent revival at Pine Bluff, Arkansas, Pastor A. B. Pierce, formerly of Mississippi, preached. There were 52 professions of faith, 24 by letter and 25 who rededicated their lives. Robert P. James, Minister of Music, led in a great program featuring instrumental and congregational singing. Three answered the call to preach and one announced the decision to give full time service to the Ministry of Music.



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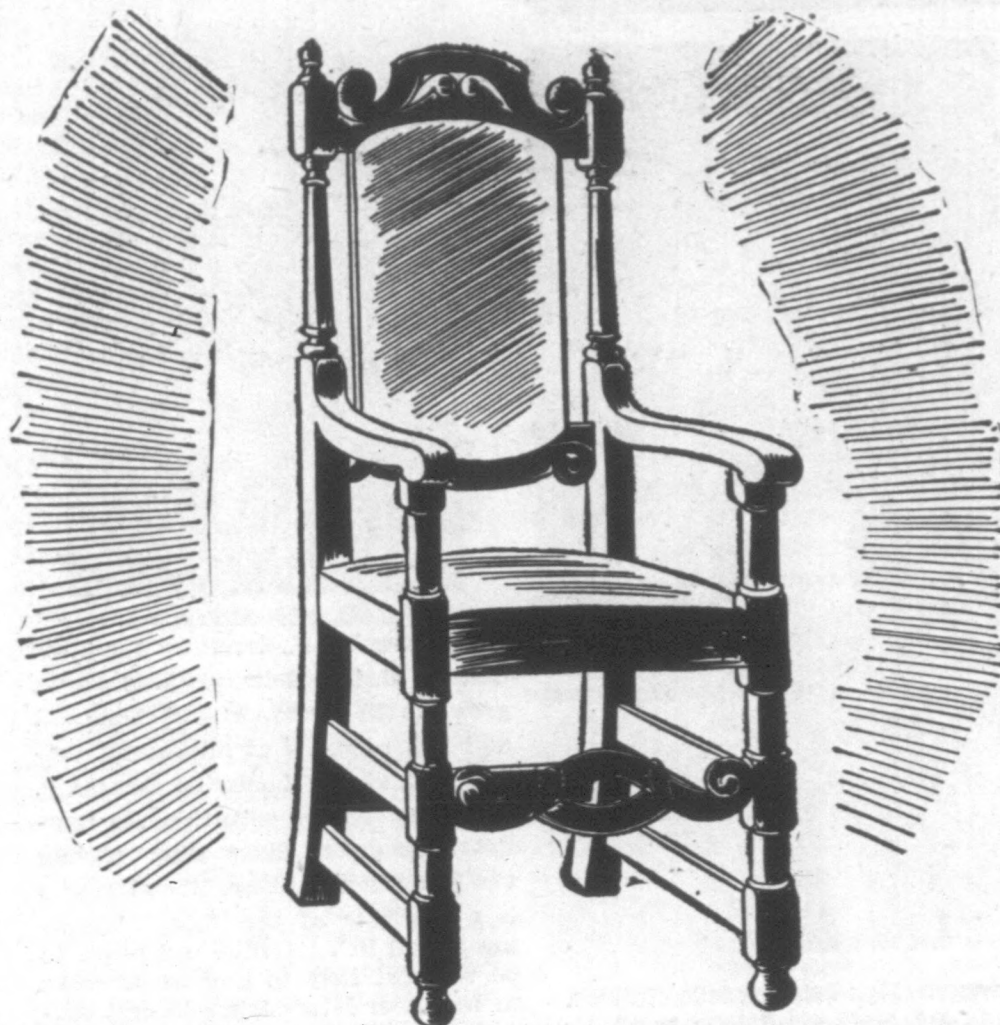
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Presented herewith are, reading from left to right, Jean Yates, of Houston, Texas, Chairman of the Committee of Seventy which is making plans for this special event; Miss Helen Bolt, Student Secretary, and Dr. Frank H. Leavell, Southwide B.S.U. Secretary, as they were recently discussing the Focus Week, on the steps of Broach Hall, Blue Mountain's B. S. U. Building.

Some of the personalities who are to be present are: Dr. Leavell, Bob Denny, Jimmy Lind Gatlin and William Hall Preston, from the Student Department in Nashville; Dr. R. Paul Caudill, Pastor of the First Baptist Church, Memphis; Rev. Carl Bates, Leesburg, Fla.; Dr. D. J. Evans, Americus, Georgia; Dr. E. N. Wilkinson,

Lexington, Ky.; Miss Ardelle Hallock, Student Secretary for Rice Institute; Mr. and Mrs. Chas. W. Horner, Jackson; Reiji Hoshizake, Japanese student at the Louisville Seminary; Dr. R. G. Lee, Pastor of Bellevue Baptist Church, Memphis, and Dr. Chas. Knight, First Baptist Church, Glasgow, Ky. Let us join the Blue Mountain B.S.U.'ers in praying for a great week.

At the time Jane Ray wrote me, the Blue Mountain Church was in the midst of its revival with Dr. Marvin Adams, of Middlesboro, Ky., doing the preaching, and Brother Ray Dykes, of Meridian, leading the singing. We trust they have had a gracious meeting.

### PEREGRINATIONS

Secretary of the Baptist Foundation, J. A. Travis, and I journeyed to Center Terrace Church, Canton, the other night for the second night of a special week of services emphasizing State Missions. Brother Travis, although as he said acting as "chauffeur," made the better speech, believe me. The noon after the day after this, Eva Lois and I attended Draughons Business College's noon-day prayer meeting here in Jackson and thoroughly enjoyed it. Mary Ann Martin and Effie Delle Rogers, from Belhaven, also were

there. Skipping a day, we discussed B.S.U. work here in Jackson at a meeting in the Baptist Building. Then a trip to South Mississippi followed. We enjoyed being with Dr. and Mrs. Judson Chastain and Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Glover and the students at Poplarville. Mrs. Glover is doing a fine work as Student Secretary Pastor. Otis Jones, President May of the College, and Professor Gregory, also of the College, were very cordial and again manifested their interest in B.S.U. at Perkinson. Before returning to Jackson, I enjoyed a two hour or so

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chat with Brother C. S. Moulder, Student Secretary for Mississippi Southern, Hattiesburg, and attending the First Church prayer meeting. Jackson's loss was definitely Hattiesburg's gain when Dr. W. A. Bell left Parkway here for First Church there.

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G. BEN SEITZ

The new B.S.U. Secretary for State College, G. Ben Seitz, pictured above, grew up in McComb and Magnolia and was educated at Mississippi College and at the Louisville Seminary. He comes to work with the 1500 Baptist students at State after serving two years in the Army. His wife, who is a graduate of the W.M.U. Training School in Louisville, will prove to be of great help to him as he seeks to help win Mississippi's largest student body to Christ. Let us all pray for them! College students from all over our State are happy that they

### FUNDS ARE NEEDED FOR OLD MEN'S HOME

By W. F. Bond

Every Thanksgiving a great many individuals, churches, lodges, and other organizations make donations for the benefit of the Old Men's Home and other worthy causes. We trust that Thanksgiving this time will be no exception to the rule and that a great many contributions of money, clothing, and food will be sent for the benefit of homeless old men who are the most needy class of people we have in the state today.

At the present time we are putting forth every effort to get together funds enough to buy or build a modern home for homeless old men that will go on down through the years making a little happier those old fellows who approach the end of the way, friendless and penniless. In this home they will be given not only shelter, food, and raiment but also nursing care, kindly treatment and an opportunity to while away the time on hobbies and other devices of entertainment.

Send all contributions to Old Men's Home, W. F. Bond, Secretary-Treasurer, Jackson, Mississippi.

—BR—

Remember the children of the Orphanage by making a liberal offering on Sunday, November 24th through your Sunday school or church.

are in the work with us, I am sure.

### BLUE MT. PREPARES FOR FOCUS WEEK

Recently I have received a letter each from Jane Ray Bean, Reporter, and Corrine Griffin, President, of the Blue Mountain B.S.U. Council, relative to their coming Focus Week. The big event is scheduled for December 1-6.

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## Department of Church Music

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### DO CHOIR DIRECTORS GET DISCOURAGED?

In all phases of our work we have our low hours. It is so easy to get discouraged because things seem to drag. Some even go so far to say "What's the use; I'm going to quit". Anybody can quit. Quitting will not get the job done. Our friend Harold Ingraham says that what we really need to do is "Git up and Git".

Seriously, have you been discouraged lately? If so, I have a few suggestions that I think will be of help to you.

First, go to your pastor and tell him how you feel. Ask him to share this discouragement with you. Ask him to make some suggestions.

Second, determine that your program of music is not going to drag along. You will find yourself putting more time on it.

Third, make definite plans for everything that you want to do at choir rehearsal. Be thoroughly prepared for the rehearsal both mental and physical. Many rehearsals have been below par because the director was tired or not well.

Fourth, follow through with plans made. After you have made some plans and resolutions, stick to them.

Fifth, see that a spiritual atmosphere prevails at rehearsals and at all programs. We are not trying to put on a show. There is no place for anything in the music program of a Baptist church that is not spiritual.

### THOROUGH PLANNING, A NECESSITY

In your School of Music for 1947, be sure that it is planned far enough in advance and that a good job is done in making the plans.

Most county-wide schools have failed to do what we want done. A county-wide school cannot be such if it is a church school. Most preachers make the mistake of calling it a county-wide school and then start announcing a church school with all of the churches invited to share and attend. The only thing wrong with that kind of planning is that it is wrong. The association should invite the school. It should be done with all music directors, song leaders, pianists, and organists present. All plans made should include the county. Let it be a county-wide affair, meeting in one of the churches. This kind of planning will reach the people.

### PASTORS, MODERATORS, AND ASSOCIATIONAL CLERKS

A form was sent to each associational clerk on which a report was to be made to the Music Department, Box 530, Jackson, Mississippi. We received a few of these. Ask your associational clerk to mail it to us at once.

### CHURCH MUSIC DIRECTORS ELECTED

Have you elected your church officers for 1947? How about electing a church Music Director to direct the entire music program of your church?

### JUNIOR INTERMEDIATE AND YOUTH CHOIRS BEING ORGANIZED

Every mail is bringing requests for suggestions in organization and materials for age group choirs. We are happy to help you and will be able to

## DOROTHY PAGE

### CHAPTER VI One Point Gained

In their discussion on the next morning Dorothy remarked: "Mr. Sterling, let me tell you what I did. I looked up the passages that had the word 'baptize' in them and in each case I put the word 'sprinkle' in the place of the word 'baptize' and it surely made curious reading."

"Good for you, daughter," said Mr. Page. "That was an ingenious procedure. Let us have the passages to see how they sound. It ought to be a perfectly fair method, because if baptize means to sprinkle then you ought to be able everywhere to put the word 'sprinkle' for the word 'baptize' and it would read all right. That's a fine idea, and now for the passages."

Dorothy began with the account of Christ's baptism: "Then cometh Jesus from Galilee to Jordan unto John to be sprinkled of him."

"That sounds all right," said Sterling.

"Here is the next one," said Dorothy: "I have a sprinkling to be sprinkled with and how am I straitened till it be accomplished! Just imagine Christ speaking of his sufferings in that way, Mr. Sterling. His sufferings were not a sprinkling. But here is an other: 'And John also was sprinkling at Aenon near Salem because there was much water there.'"

"Again: 'John truly sprinkled with water, but ye shall be sprinkled with the Holy Ghost not many days hence.'"

"That doesn't sound natural," said the father, "to be sprinkled with the Holy Ghost. That would have been a rather light affair."

"Mr. Sterling," said Dorothy, "you remember you said the baptism on the day of Pentecost was by pouring. Suppose you put the word 'pour' in this passage and read it, 'John truly poured with water, but ye shall be poured with the Holy Ghost not many days hence'. You could not speak of anybody being poured. You could speak of water or the Spirit being poured, but not of a person being poured. It would not be proper to say you shall be poured with anything. Something could be poured upon you, but you could not be poured with something. That is another reason why the baptism of the Spirit at Pentecost could not have had reference to pouring, because from this passage, you see, it would not make sense to put the word 'pour' in it. And besides, Mr. Sterling, I think you are uncertain whether baptism is by pouring or sprinkling."

"Give us another passage," said the father; "they are quite interesting".

Dorothy continued: "And they went down into the water, both Philip

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and the eunuch and he sprinkled him."

"Let us have another passage," said the father.

Dorothy continued: "Therefore we are buried with him by sprinkling into death."

"Oh, my," said Mr. Page, bursting into a laugh, "where did you ever see anyone buried by sprinkling a few drops of earth upon him? Say, Friend Sterling, how did this idea of sprinkling get into so many churches? It certainly does not seem to have a single leg to stand upon."

"I can give you some passages where the word sprinkle would sound natural; for example this passage: 'Come ye into all the world and preach the Gospel unto every creature, and he that believeth and is sprinkled shall be saved.' That sounds just as natural as if it read 'he that believeth and is immersed shall be saved.'"

"Maybe so," said Mr. Page, "but it sounds just a little limp to me. Besides, you could hardly put the word 'pour' in that passage. If you want to make a real point you must give some passage where the word 'sprinkle' would sound natural and the word 'immerse' would seem out of place."

"Yes," spoke up Dorothy. "Can you give us such a passage, Mr. Sterling?"

"I have such a passage and it will show that immersion could not have been the mode of baptism."

"Out with it," said Mr. Page.

"It is the words spoken to Saul. It reads: 'Arise and be baptized.' Now that baptism could not have been an immersion. Saul was evidently seated and he was told to arise or to stand up. What was he to stand up for? To be sprinkled, of course. You would

not ask a man who was seated to stand up to be immersed."

"He would have to stand up before he could be immersed," said Dorothy. "Why could it not read, 'Arise and be immersed'? Maybe they went off to be immersed. And notice the first of the verse. It reads: 'Now why tarriest thou? Arise and be baptized and wash away thy sins, calling on the name of the Lord.' Those first words 'why tarriest thou' explain the other part. In the first place, he had to arise; that is, to get up in order that he might go off to some place where he could be immersed. In the next place, he tells him not to tarry, not to wait, but to arise and be baptized."

"Good for you, daughter. It does look as if you were telling him not to delay his baptism, but to get up and attend to it."

There was a lull in the conversation for a moment, and then the father asked: "What kind of baptism did they have in the churches just after the apostles died? Don't we find anything in history about the kind of baptism that was practiced?"

Dorothy spoke up promptly: "I was reading in the library yesterday in some of the encyclopedias about baptism and I copied something about that very point you mentioned. Let me get it."

She hurried to her room, brought the book and read as follows: "Not less than sixty of the ancient baptisteries are found in Italy alone, of which seven belong to the fourth century, four to the fifth, eleven to the sixth and fourteen probably to the seventh." Then after describing these baptizing pools found in these ancient church buildings the writer continues: "Now baptisteries such as

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## Brotherhood Department

J. H. Street, Secretary

### NEW BROTHERHOOD

Something new has been added! A new Brotherhood has been organized by the Pine Grove and Heidelberg churches of Jasper county. This is a joint enterprise; a departure from our regular plans; and we are greatly interested in the outcome. The pastors of the churches are Rev. M. V. Rowell, Meridian (Pine Grove), and Rev. B. B. McPheeters, 3420 Davis Street, Meridian (Heidelberg). Officers are: president, Jewel Smith; membership vice-president, Longino Ellis; program vice-president, R. L. Hatch; activities vice-president, O. F. Stamper; secretary-treasurer, Johnnie Flores. All addresses Heidelberg.

### DISTRICT SIX MEETING

Rev. A. Estus Mason, pastor, and the whole South Side group, gave District Six a royal reception and entertainment on the evening of November 1, in Meridian. And as luck would have it, the football game was out of town on this particular Friday night! First Carthage, Lena (Leake), South Side, 41st Avenue, Eighth Avenue, First, Fifteenth Avenue, Highland, Meridian; Pine Grove-Heidelberg (Jasper), First Quitman, Russell (Lauderdale), Stonewall Toomsula, State Line, Chunky, De Halb, Mt. Olive (Lauder-

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described above are found in all parts of ancient Christendom, and their presence makes it impossible to doubt the form of baptism in the patristic and medieval churches. Such structures were plainly intended for immersion. Their size and form and arrangement entirely preclude the idea of their use for sprinkling or pouring.

"That is a great point. What were those baptizing pools doing there in the churches if they were not for immersion? If the churches in the fourth century baptized by immersion, it surely must have been because that mode had been handed down to them from the beginning."

"There is one argument against immersion that I have not mentioned," said Sterling.

"Exactly," said the father with a smile. "You are going now to bring out your Imperial Guards. You've been holding them back for the last assault, I suppose. All right, trot them out, Sterling."

"Oh, father, what awful figures you use about these Bible matters."

"That's right, daughter, call me down. I will jump the traces every now and then, and I beg pardon. And now, Sterling, what is that argument against immersion that you have not mentioned?"

"It is this: Immersion cannot be right, for it would make infant baptism impossible."

"Infant baptism," exclaimed Dorothy with a very puzzled look. "You don't mean that you baptize infants?"

"Certainly."

"Why do you baptize infants?" asked Dorothy, with an expression almost of horror on her face.

"It is one of the sacred ordinances of the church and is really one of the

most beautiful and effective."

"Do you mean little children just two or three years old?" asked Dorothy.

"Yes, indeed, and often only a few weeks old. Where have you been that you have never heard of infant baptism?"

"I never heard of it. You know I have been to church very little in my life and have known almost nothing about church matters and have had no one to tell me. I am very sorry it has been so, for I feel I have missed a great deal. But, Mr. Sterling, I do not remember seeing anything in the Bible about sprinkling infants. I must have overlooked it."

"You must have overlooked it, for it is taught very plainly."

"Infant baptism?" she said in a questioning, puzzled tone. "Mr. Sterling, the little infants do not know what you are doing to them. I thought the baptism of a person was a picture of what had already taken place in that person. It looks strange to baptize an infant, and besides I should think you would drown the little things to put them under the water."

"Ha, ha," exclaimed Mr. Sterling with a laugh. "Not too fast. We do not put them under the water; we sprinkle them."

"Of course. I ought to have known that, for you baptize by sprinkling. But do tell me some more about it. Why do you do it, Mr. Sterling?"

"It is one of the most sacred ordinances of the church. I wish you could witness the ceremony. But I see we will not have the time to go into the subject as we ought. It is a great subject, and if you do not object we will take it up tomorrow night. I hear no objection and so the motion is unanimously adopted."

Sterling felt as if the battle had

been going against him so far as winning Dorothy was concerned. But he did not despair. He girded himself afresh for his task. He decided, however, that instead of attempting single-handed to defend the doctrine of infant baptism, he would seek reinforcements and call in his pastor, Dr. Vincent.

The Doctor was regarded as an encyclopedia of Presbyterian lore. Sterling visited him and told him that Dorothy Page, the daughter of his friend and neighbor, had recently been converted and was concerned about the subject of baptism, and that she was strongly turning towards immersion. "I am dreading, Doctor," said Sterling, "that if she insists on immersion she will be drawn into the Baptist church and we would all regard that as a disaster."

"Did you mention infant baptism to her?" inquired the Doctor. "You know the Baptists would deny to infants this rite and would deny to parents the privilege of such dedication of their children in baptism. That fact ought to keep her from the Baptist heresy, and if that fails to save her from it then surely their doctrine of close communion will settle the business with her."

"We are to take up the subject of infant baptism tonight. We began it last night, but were interrupted before we got fairly launched upon the discussion, and yet not before Miss Dorothy had made some remark about infant baptism showing she thought it a curious practice. I am sure, Doctor, you could set her right."

"I will come if you think I can be of service," he said, for he saw an anxiety on Sterling's face that he could not understand.

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## 25 YEARS AGO

By Rev. E. A. EDDLEMAN

Dr. A. U. Boone, of Memphis, assisted last week in a revival meeting at Sardis, conducted by pastor W. L. House.

A Bishop of the Church of England, who died in July, left money to build a chapel in which once a year prayers are to be said for the souls of himself and his wife. Too late!

Not for years has Hattisburg had such a religious awakening, is the report of the meeting at the Main Street Church in which pastor J. E. Wills was assisted by Dr. Austin Crouch, of Jonesboro, Ark. There were over 100 accessions.

Rev. W. L. Grafton, of Noxapater, is finishing up his years work as associational missionary.

Rev. E. C. Hendrick has accepted a field of work in the eastern part of the state, consisting of Sandersville, Heidelberg, Vossburg and Oak Grove. This is a good field.

In the Reporters notes on the New Orleans Bible Institute the statement is made that the enrollment has climbed to the total of 172. Of this number, 29 come from Mississippi. The latest matriculating being Bro. J. D. Brame, Macon, Mississippi.

Over 60 were added to the church at Brookhaven during the meeting in which pastor J. A. Taylor was assisted by Rev. R. Q. Leavell.

Pastor C. M. Day reports that the State Mission offering at First church Durant amounted to \$250.

## Baptist Orphanage Thanksgiving

### Baptist Orphanage Special Bulletin:

The Railroads as usual will furnish free transportation for Thanksgiving Donations for THE BAPTIST ORPHANAGE THIS YEAR.

### -- TRAIN SCHEDULE --

#### GULF TRANSPORT COMPANY:

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#### GULF, MOBILE & OHIO RR:

(Formerly M&O RR)

Start at Corinth, Tuesday, November 19 and work to Meridian; Start at State Line, Tuesday, November 19.

#### COLUMBUS AND GREENVILLE:

Load Columbus to Winona, and Greenville to Winona, Tuesday, November 19th. Shipments will then be picked up by IC and delivered to Jackson.

#### MISSISSIPPI CENTRAL:

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(Including Y&MV and G&SI)

Start at Lakeview, Horn Lake, Holly Springs, Aberdeen, Meridian, Laurel, Gulfport, Osyka, Centerville, and Natchez on Wednesday, Nov. 20 and work to Jackson.

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4:6) he was voicing a sad truth that belongs to almost every pulpit in the land today, for one of the most alarming conditions of our day is the ignorance of so many church people about Kingdom affairs. When the little girl prayed for two or three heathen nations and concluded by saying "THAT IS ALL I KNOW ABOUT" she was but portraying the disturbing fact that the prayer life of many church members is lean and limited simply because they do not have sufficient knowledge about spiritual things to stir their hearts to alarm and their lips to prayer. One of the best deacons I ever knew was anti-missionary until he attended a B.A.U. program about our work in Africa and a new light dawned upon him and I never heard him pray thereafter without asking God's blessings on our missionaries. When Solomon prayed for wisdom and knowledge, in order that he might live to the fullest life that was his, he showed a great spirit and noble conviction. God speed the day when the majority of our people shall know at least the Plan of Salvation, The Doctrines of our Faith, The Needs of The Field and the scope and functions of our principle Denominational Agencies. One of the greatest joys of my life is the privilege of serving a church, which strives, through each of its auxiliaries in their regular programs and by special study classes, to enlighten its members in matters pertaining to God's Kingdom, and a Church that sends the Baptist Record, The Commission and Home Missions into every home, for an enlightened membership usually is a cooperative and working membership. It was Bovee who said, "The Value of Superior Knowledge Is Chiefly In That It Leads To A Performing Manhood", and if knowledge leads to action, surely our great need is a more thorough knowledge of the task that should be receiving our fullest and best.

Another stake that is essential in se-

curing the enlarged tent is LOVE. It was love that gave to sinful mankind a Saviour, "FOR GOD SO LOVED THE WORLD THAT HE GAVE HIS ONLY BEGOTTEN SON, THAT WHOSEVER BELIEVETH IN HIM SHOULD NOT PERISH BUT HAVE EVERLASTING LIFE" (Jno. 3:16). It was love that sent Jesus up Golgotha's rugged heights bearing His own cross that a world of condemned men and women, boys and girls might go free from the guilt and penalty of sin through faith in His shed blood. It was love that Jesus required of Peter as a motive for service, when He bore in this vital requirement by having Peter confess his love for his Lord three times before delivering to him his Commission for life's task. And Brother, the only way you and I can feed the lambs and tend the sheep effectively today is out of a heart of true love. Cold duty or professionalism will never do the job.

The great apostle Paul who got his degree in the Arabian desert with the Holy One as his instructor found that a preacher can't preach effectively without love, for we remember he said "THOUGH I SPEAK WITH THE TONGUES OF MEN AND OF ANGELS AND HAVE NOT LOVE I AM BECOME AS SOUNDING BRASS OR A TINKLING CYMBAL" (I Cor. 13:1), and likewise will all worldly understanding, knowledge and faith come to naught unless undergirded by love for "THOUGH I HAVE THE GIFT OF PROPHECY AND UNDERSTAND ALL MYSTERIES AND ALL KNOWLEDGE: AND THOUGH I HAVE ALL FAITH SO THAT I COULD REMOVE MOUNTAINS AND HAVE NOT LOVE I AM NOTHING" (I Cor. 13:2). We may abound in the grace of giving but this too will prove of no value without the element of love, for "THOUGH I BESTOW ALL MY GOODS TO FEED THE POOR AND THOUGH I GIVE MY BODY TO BE BURNED AND HAVE NOT LOVE IT PROFITETH ME NOTHING" (I Cor. 13:3). Love grooms and qualifies the preacher. Love adorns and prepares the layman and love rules out failure from the program of the Church for "LOVE NEVER FAILETH" (I Cor. 13:8). Too much so-called Christian service is junked by our Lord, because it tries to ride in on selfish motives rather than being mounted on pure love. Not until we love God supremely, our fellowman unselfishly, and our Kingdom task devotedly, can we qualify for an enlarged program for our Lord and King. Twice I have been redeemed by love, once physically and once spiritually. When I was about three years of age I got lost and wandered far into the deep woods during a terrible thunder and electrical storm. The whole neighborhood gathered, some on horses, and set out to find me, but it was not the strong men nor the ones on horseback that found me, but my Mother, small of stature and on foot, with clothes and flesh torn and bleeding was the one who rescued me from the depth of the flooded swamp, and the story as it was told to me many times has convinced me that the "RACE IS NOT TO THE SWIFT NOR THE BATTLE TO THE STRONG" (Ecc. 9:11), but rather to him whose life and service is actuated by the true love of the shepherd heart. At the age of fourteen I was lost in the swamps of sin, and it was likewise love that rescued me and I can truthfully sing "Love Lifted Me".

They're there, in the slums, on the back streets, across the tracks, living behind the field and beyond the hill, tangled in the vines and briars of sin and only love will win them, for love is the only language they will understand and the sole key to their hearts. Brethren, if we want the place of our tent enlarged and secured to a stake that cannot be uprooted, put love in the saddle and on the bridge. It took Lottie Moon to China, David Livingston to Africa and John G. Paton to the South Sea Islands, and it will carry Mississippi Baptists

Somewhere too, if it is allowed to rule and reign in our every heart.

A third stake, as you would no doubt guess, is FAITH. My deepest desire is to please my Lord and Christ and we know that "WITHOUT FAITH IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO PLEASE HIM" (Heb. 11:6). Faith brought to Noah salvation from the flood. Faith brought to Abraham the title of 'Friend of God'. Faith brought to Daniel deliverance from the lions. Faith brought to Elijah the fire from Heaven. Faith brought to the Syro-Phoenician woman the healing of her child. Faith brought to Columbus a new world. Faith brought to our fore fathers liberty and freedom. And if this generation is to see the defeat of the mighty forces of sin and destruction, it will be if and when we become fully aware that "THIS IS THE VICTORY THAT OVERCOMETH THE WORLD EVEN OUR FAITH" (I Jno. 5:4).

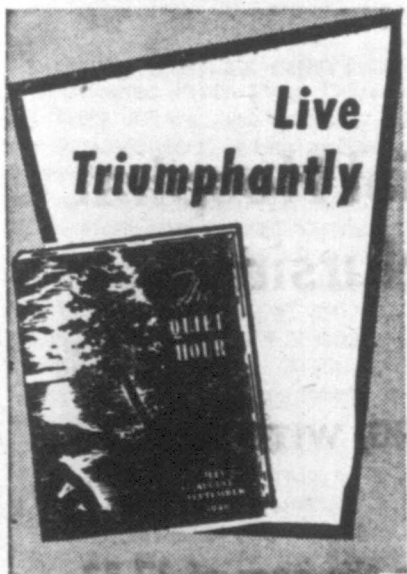
We are sailing much the same kind of sea that Paul and his companions were on during the great storm, and we need the same kind of faith that he manifested on that occasion. After fourteen days and nights of darkness and distress the eyes of Paul could look through the overhanging storm clouds and see his God on the throne, and his ears though deafened by the roar of the mighty Euroclydon could hear the still small voice of his Master and he calmed the whole party with his proclamation "I BELIEVE GOD". Let us be hard and fast to the stake of Faith in the Eternal God and His blessed promises, and "WE SHALL NOT BE MOVED".

A fourth stake, and it takes at least four stakes to secure a tent, is the stake of OBEDIENCE to God's law and word

and will. When Samuel told King Saul that "TO OBEY IS BETTER THAN SACRIFICE AND TO HARKEN THAN THE FAT OF RAMS" (I Sam. 15:22), he was speaking a philosophy meet for the 20th Century needs. God does not need advisors or councilors, He needs men and women who will obey Him. He does not need smart men and women so much as He needs those who realize that "WE OUGHT TO OBEY GOD RATHER THAN MAN" (Acts 5:29), for in the day when men did just that, the place of the tent was enlarged and the lengthened cords and strengthened stakes never yielded one inch to the attacks of the foe. God's tent is not enlarged so much by human wisdom as by strict obedience to Him. On the day that we preach, practice and obey the whole Gospel we will see our day of triumph. When we begin to apply God's plumb-line to our plans and programs and activities, instead of comparing ourselves to ourselves, we shall see a new and better day. Too long we have endeavored to bring God's standard to the lines of the world, but we need to bring the lines and forces of the Church of Christ up to God's standard, and shout our battle cry of "Lead On O King Eternal".

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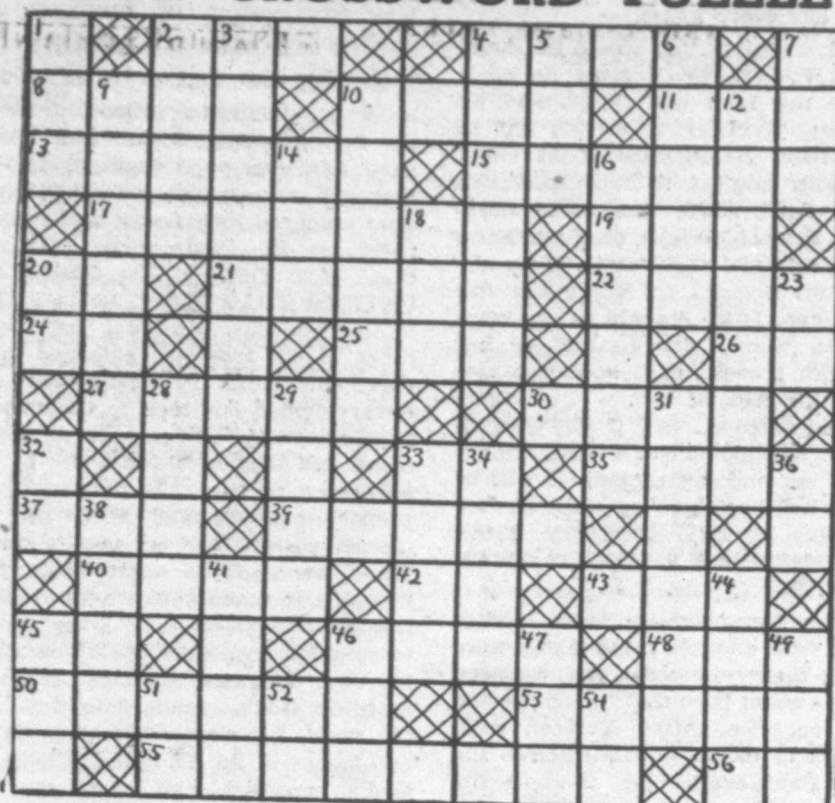
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## ACROSS

- 2 "... when the day of Pentecost was fully come"  
 4 "and with ... other words did he testify"  
 8 Capital of Norway  
 10 "And your feet ... with the preparation of the gospel of peace"  
 11 Vessel used by the early Christians  
 13 Protective covering made by animals  
 15 "and ... is the way"  
 17 "I will shew ... in heaven above"  
 19 "Silver ... gold have I none"  
 20 "I know them, and they follow ..."  
 21 Northwestern state  
 22 Austrian river; rise (anag.)  
 24 Abraham's old home  
 25 Weight of Korea  
 26 "and, ... , I am with you alway"  
 27 "and ... in the earth beneath"  
 30 "They ... all with one accord in one place"  
 33 British India  
 35 "or thrust through with a ..."  
 37 "a feast of ... things"  
 39 "none of his steps shall ..."  
 40 "a notable miracle hath been ..."  
 42 "which God did ... him"  
 43 "and it filled all ... house"  
 45 Keystone State  
 46 "they were not ... to resist"  
 48 Adam named her  
 50 Christ appeared to two disciples who were on their way to ...  
 53 "Who made thee a ... and a judge over us?"  
 55 "And he (Matthias) was numbered with the eleven ..."  
 56 Canadian province  
 Our Text from Acts is 2, 4, 17, 19, 27, 30, 40, 42, 43, and 55 combined.

## DOWN

- 1 Fabulous bird; reversed, a Jewish measure Ezek. 45:14  
 2 Dog of tropical America  
 3 Midday rest

- 4 Town in Massachusetts  
 5 Feminine name  
 6 "the king's merchants received the linen ... at a price" (pl.)  
 7 "sue thee at the ..."  
 9 "give seed to the ... , and bread to the eater" (pl.)  
 10 Acts cowardly  
 12 Worker in plastic art  
 14 Strange  
 16 "this Jesus hath God ... up"  
 18 Greek letter  
 20 Another Greek letter  
 23 Proposed language  
 28 "they went up ... an upper room"  
 29 "put my hook in thy ..."  
 31 Wife of Jacob and mother of Joseph  
 32 "... any man will do his will"  
 33 Bibcock  
 34 Pastoral poem  
 36 "And the Lord added ... the church daily such as should be saved"  
 38 "For as in ... all die"  
 41 Low tide  
 44 "... as many as the Lord our God shall call"  
 45 "But I will not with ink and ... write unto thee"  
 46 "And ... the lamp of God went out"  
 49 Bitter vetch  
 51 Mother  
 52 Under officer  
 54 "for he was numbered with ..."  
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## Students Named For "Who's Who"

Fourteen Mississippi College Students have been nominated and officially accepted for inclusion in the 1946-47 edition of "Who's Who Among American Universities and Colleges."

It is a distinction for a student to be accepted in this Nationwide honor organization that recognizes service to the school campus activities, scholarship and all honorary and social organizations to which he may belong.

The committee selected student leaders of today who give promise of becoming leaders of tomorrow. The list of Mississippi College students chosen includes: Glenn Mack Sherrod, St. Louis, Missouri; Lamar Puryear, Jr., Raymond; Ollie Mae Ware Mayhall, Magee; Lula Agnes Mathews, Tuskegee, Alabama; Benjamin Frederick Loyd, LaFayette, Ga.; Miriam Hollis, Chalhybeate; Albert Leroy Gore, Jackson; Jean Rose Furr, Tylertown; John Norris DeFore, Sidon; David Berry Dale, Prentiss; Samuel Warren



REV. PAUL B. COOPER

## Paul B. Cooper At Handsboro Church

Rev. Paul B. Cooper, who has just completed 54 months in the chaplaincy, has accepted the call to the Handsboro church and began his work October 1. Rev. Cooper is the son of the late R. A. Cooper, and a native of Pontotoc. He graduated at Mississippi College and the Southern Seminary. His wife is the former Anna Walne Kimbrough, daughter of the late Dr. R. A. Kimbrough.

Prior to entering the service Rev. Cooper served for eight years as pastor of the Jackson Heights church

Cochran, Waynesboro; Carl Bryan Case, Wesson and Leland Chester Angel, Clinton.

BLUE MOUNTAIN, Miss., Nov. 9,—

Miss K. Hazel Burnham of the Blue Mountain College music faculty will give a violin recital in the Modena Lowrey Berry Auditorium Thursday evening, November 21. She is instructor in violin and musical theory and director of the orchestra and chorus at the college. The recital is a public service, and the public is invited. There will be no admission charge. Miss Burnham is an American-born, American-trained musician of rare attainments. She holds the Master of Music degree from Yale University, where she took prizes in both violin and composition. She has given concerts in many eastern states before coming to the south. Miss Burnham is also known as an orchestral conductor, and for several years was director of the Roanoke Symphony Orchestra in Roanoke, Virginia. Among her compositions are a symphony, a violin concerto, some string quartets, overtures, songs, and cantatas. She is a member of the National Association for American Composers and Conductors, and organization dedicated to the advancement of American music.

in Tampa, Fla. During the war he was in Ireland, Scotland, Wales, England, France and Belgium. He was in Badgodesburg, Germany when that nation fell. He was on the first ship that departed for the Pacific side. After being in Manila, he was in Northern Luzon when Japan surrendered. He was in Japan in the army of occupation before returning to his homeland.

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# WORLDWIDE BIBLE READING TO BE SPONSORED FROM THANKSGIVING TO CHRISTMAS

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schools and libraries, or to any group interested in following this daily reading series. As in previous years, book-marks containing the passages selected will be prepared for distribution.

The passages are:

Thanksgiving, Nov. 28—Genesis 8:20-9:17 (Noah)

Friday—Genesis 12:1-9; 17:1-8 (Abraham)

Saturday—Genesis 32 (Jacob)

Sunday, Dec. 1—Genesis 37 (Joseph)

Monday—Exodus 3 (Moses)

Tuesday—Ruth 1 (Ruth)

Wednesday—1 Samuel 3 (Samuel)

Thursday—1 Samuel 16: Psalms 139 (David)

Friday—1 Kings 19:9-18 (Elijah)

Saturday—Nehemiah 6 (Nehemiah)

Sunday, Dec. 8—Zechariah 4 (Zerubabel)

Monday—Isaiah 1:1-20; 6 (Isaiah)

Tuesday—Isaiah 52:13-53:12 (God's Servant)

Wednesday—Jeremiah 1:1-2:13 (Jeremiah)

Thursday—Daniel 6 (Daniel)

Friday—Luke 1:26-56 (Mary)

Saturday—Matthew 3:1-17 (John the Baptist)

Sunday, Dec. 15—John 3:1-17 (Nicodemus)

Monday—Luke 10:30-42 (Good Samaritan; Mary of Bethany)

Tuesday—Luke 15:11-24 (Prodigal Son)

Wednesday—John 13:1-17 (Jesus)

Thursday—John 17 (Jesus)

Friday—Acts 2 (Peter)

Saturday—Acts 6:8-15; 7:44-60 (Stephen)

Sunday, Dec. 22—Acts 9:1-9, 13:14-43 (Paul)

Monday—II Timothy 1:1-18 (Timothy)

Tuesday—Hebrews 11:24-12:2 (Heroes of the Faith)

Christmas, Dec. 25—Matthew 2 (Jesus)

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## ROGERS THRILLS CONVENTION

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his knife drawn, the picture seems to say SPARE NOT. When we hear Queen Esther say "IF I PERISH I PERISH" we have a beautiful version of SPARE NOT. Gethsemane and Calvary painted across the horizon of all time, in rainbow colors the highest interpretation of the words SPARE NOT, for "HE THAT SPARED NOT HIS OWN SON BUT DELIVERED HIM UP FOR US ALL", (Rom. 8:32), has set the stage for worthy human conduct.

A few years ago a loaded freight car broke loose from the train on a railroad in Ohio and started down grade toward a thickly populated section and one of the trainmen realized the danger to unsuspecting people along the line and climbed up on the car and began to exert all his strength in applying the brakes and finally succeeded in getting the car stopped, but in so doing his body had been whipped, bruised and broken until he is an invalid for life, but his purpose seemed to have been SPARE NOT as he gave himself that the lives of others might be spared. This incident has been paralleled many times in the history of God's people and their devotion to their Divinely appointed task, without which many heroic deeds would not have been done. King David set all men a worthy example when he said, "NEITHER WILL I OFFER BURNT OFFERINGS UNTO THE LORD MY GOD OF THAT WHICH DOETH COST ME NOTHING" (2 Sam. 24:24). Our salvation, full and free, was wrought out in self-sacrifice and the blessed gospel message was brought to us in the same way and nothing short of some real consecrated self-surrender and sacrifice will produce sufficient anchorage for an enlarged tent, and any Christian worker who is unwilling to pay the price is un-

## WASHINGTON REVIEW

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hearing, the FCC authorized a new 1,000 - watt daytime station on 800 kilocycles in Knoxville, Tenn., to the Rev. J. Harold Smith, whose paid religious broadcasts had been banned from WNOX of Knoxville.

At the time the ban became effective last spring, Mr. Smith made quite a bit of noise—both in Knoxville and in Washington. A collection was taken among his thousands of listeners for a new station.

The application filed with FCC by him, his wife and a third party stated that "paid religious broadcasting will be accepted." The FCC's so-called "blue book," a volume published to serve as an indication of Commission policy, specifically frowned on sale of time for religious broadcasts, although encouraging such broadcasts on a free basis.

Broadcasting, radio industry publication, comments rather acidly on the FCC decision in its latest issue.

"We think the FCC owes to its licensees and to the public an explanation of this latest action," the magazine asserts. "Does the grant nullify the 'blue book'? Does the FCC (now) advocate sale of time for religious broadcasts? Or is this the character of 'newcomer' we are to expect under a new concept of free competition?"

Religious observers aren't commenting, but their reactions indicate they would ask the FCC the same questions.

## STUDENT RELIGIOUS ACTIVITY

When students of George Washington University (Catholic) here registered for classes at the beginning of the fall term, almost 3,500 of them indicated that they were interested in one or the other of the religious organizations on the campus.

This number represented more than a third of the student body. A major problem for the University's religious council was that the church-minded students represented some 34 different denominations of the three great faiths.

## SCIENTISTS, PHYSICIAN TO-MINISTRY

Two prominent capital citizens—one a physician and the other a scientist—plan to become ministers of the gospel.

Dr. Charles Green, resident physician at Children's Hospital, has been appointed interim pastor of the Brookland Baptist church. Dr. Green served during World War II as a major in the Medical Corps, and when he completes his work at Children's Hospital, he plans to go to China as a medical missionary for the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. He previously had graduated from the Southern Baptist Seminary.

Rolla Patterson Currie, entomologist in the Department of Agriculture for many years, is embarking on a new career—as an Episcopal minister. He will be ordained November 1 and will then become associate rector of the Church of St. Stephen and The Incarnation, where he has worshipped and served as assistant rector for some time.

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Just as we go to press news comes that Rev. W. C. Stewart, pastor at Derma, died suddenly on Monday night. We hope to have more details next week. He was formerly pastor at Houston and Meadville and Roxie.

worthy of the name of Christian, and of the noble example that has been set through the years that have passed.

## PASTORS AND LAYMEN EMPHASIZE RURAL CHURCHES

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marked, "our strength as Baptists lies in our constituency and what we need in our churches is Christian Power. If there is any one thing Christian people need today it is that we be filled with the Holy Spirit."

C. C. Weaver, Noxapater pastor, speaking from his 13 years experience with that church, discussed "The Worship Hour in the Rural Church", saying, "there is no such thing in the New Testament as a big and little preacher. I make no apology for being a country preacher." Pointing to three characteristics of the worship program he mentioned "every preacher needs to remember the worshippers, the worship and The One we worship."

State Brotherhood secretary, "Jimmy" Street, giving the principle address of the evening on "A Full Time Country Church" gained the interest of his audience as he remarked, "The goal of the Christian movement is a church in every community with a pastor giving his full time to that field. This is a goal to which we can well afford to set our sights."

At the close of the Monday evening session the audience was invited to see the showing of "The Great Achievement", motion picture of the life of the late Dr. G. W. Truett. The courtesy showing was made possible by the Baptist Book Store.

The closing session on Wednesday morning was devoted to the work of the Associational Missionary in the Rural Church. Participating in the discussions of the various phases of their work were: Grady Hickman, R. B. Patterson, M. J. Gilbert, C. Palmer, S. J. Rhodes and H. H. Ward.

Music for the various sessions was directed by H. L. Courtney, C. H. Batson and O. L. Chambers.

The program committee responsible for the conference sessions was directed by Dr. W. E. Greene, Clarke College president and Rev. Glen Smith, Rev. Virgil Ratcliff, Rev. Ed Byrd and Rev. Deb Stennis.

Dr. Gaines S. Dobbins of the Southern Baptist Seminary closed the final session of the conference with an address on . . . "The Country Church"—"It's Unchanged Mission in a Changing World", pointed out that while every age is an age of change, ours is an era of unprecedented rapidity of change. Dr. Dobbins remarked, "In the crisis through which the world and the nation are passing, the people of the rural south, of which Mississippi farm families are among the best representatives, are still the soundest, sanest, most unselfish group in modern society."

Time prevents giving a fuller account of Dr. Dobbins' speech. Plans are being made to print it in full in a later issue.

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## GOING PLACES

BY A. L. GOODRICH

### JEFFERSON DAVIS COUNTY ASSOCIATION

Jefferson Davis County Association met with White Sand Church, Rev. Joe W. Hudson, pastor and people did an A-1 job of entertaining. The house was packed and the interest high. We heard most of the sermon by Rev. W. H. Wood and if the first part was as good as the part we heard, all of it was A-1.

We had plenty of time to set forth the merits of the EVERY FAMILY Plan and later to preach the mission sermon.

Officers elected for the 1947 session were Moderator, Claude Sutton; vice-moderator, Rev. J. K. Moore; clerk and treasurer, L. C. Burkette. Rev. Joe Hudson was recommended to the State Convention as Convention Board Member.

Baptist Record readers in Jefferson Davis County are now listed as follows: ANTIOCH 37, BASSFIELD 41, BETHANY 32, CARSON 19, HATHORN 42, HEPZIBAH 48, OLD HEBRON 47, OAK GROVE 24, PHALTI 52, PRENTISS FIRST 165, SOCIETY HILL 53, VICTORY 24, WHITESAND 57, EBENEZER 25.

### CARROLL COUNTY ASSOCIATION

New Shiloh Church was the meeting place of the Carroll County Association. The committee had prepared a good program with all objects getting a good hearing.

Moderator Corley gave the Baptist Record editor a good place before noon and as a result one EVERY FAMILY list was handed to us during the lunch period and several individual subscriptions were secured.

All those making reports did a good job. Rev. Madison Flowers preached one of the best sermons that we have heard during the Association season.

Officers elected were: Moderator, Rev. J. M. Corley; vice-moderator, Rev. Oliver Grantham; clerk, Rev. W. M. Hull.

Although mentioned last, the dinner certainly was not least. They had all the usual good things and country ham, baked and fried.

Baptist Record readers in Carroll county are now listed as follows: COILA 11, McCarley 4, MT. PISGAH 21, NEW SALEM 15, NORTH CARROLLTON 24, CALVARY 12, New Bethel 1, Mt. Olive 1, Liberty 1, New Shiloh 3, New Jerusalem 1, Old Plank 4, Leflore 4.

### BOLIVAR COUNTY ASSOCIATION

The Bolivar County Association met with First church, Cleveland on October 15. The pastor, Dr. Charles Treadway and the Cleveland church have no superiors as hosts. The dinner and the hospitality was all that anyone could wish.

The Bolivar County Association meets for one day only but their program is so well planned that every object has a good hearing. We were generously given 40 minutes to present both the Baptist and the Cooperative Program. They give a cordial welcome and sufficient time to all the state workers who will come.

Officers elected were: Moderator, Dr. H. L. Cockerham; vice-moderator, Dr. Charles Treadway; clerk, Rev. J. T. Renfro.

Rev. J. T. Renfro, pastor as Shaw

preached the sermon. It was well prepared, well delivered and inspiring.

Other state workers on the morning program were: W. G. Mize, Orphanage; J. A. Travis, Baptist Foundation. Dr. D. M. Nelson was in the midst of a great address on Christian Education when we left in the afternoon.

Bolivar county is one of the best Baptist Record counties in the state, most of the churches having the EVERY FAMILY Plan. Record subscribers in the county are now listed as follows: BENOIT 39, BOYLE 71, CLEVELAND FIRST 248, PACE 30, DUNCAN 35, GUNNISON 13, INTERSTATE 29, MERIGOLD 38, MORRISON CHAPEL 32, PROVIDENCE 29, ROSEDALE 41, Shady Oak 8, Shaw 4, SHELBY 65, SKENE 37, Stringtown 1, Waxhaw 10, BOLIVAR MISSION 23, CENTERFIELD 11.

### ARLINGTON, PERRY COUNTY, IS NUMBER 829

A recent addition to the growing list of EVERY FAMILY Churches is Arlington in Perry County. The pastor is Rev. Luther Turner.

In sending the list Pastor wrote, "Inclose find check for \$1.25 for the first month's subscription to the Baptist Record for the Arlington Church in Perry County. We had no trouble at all getting the church to adopt the E. F. Plan. When told of the fine way it is to be carried out and that the church is behind the plan the people voted all together for it."

Perry County now has Record readers listed as follows: ARLINGTON 12, BEAUMONT 73, GOOD HOPE 15, JANICE 18, NEW AGUSTA 62, PROSPECT 18, RUNNELSTON 57, RICHTON 77, UNION 30, INDIAN SPRINGS 20, SEMINARY 18.

### COPIAH COUNTY ASSOCIATION

The Copiah County Association met with Hazlehurst Church. As always, the pastor, Rev. Carey Cox, and the good people of Hazlehurst proved to be A-1 hosts. The dinner was up to the usual high standard at Hazlehurst.

The messengers to the Association showed their approval of the officers by reelecting all of them as follows: Moderator, Rev. Joe T. Odle; clerk, Rev. J. P. Bush; treasurer, W. L. McLemore.

During the morning session Rev. W. E. Hardy gave an excellent report on Missions and then made a good speech on the same subject. Guy Little, a longtime Baptist Record supporter, reported on Religious Instruction and also made a good speech. We were given time to present the work of the Baptist Record.

Outstanding was the sermon by Rev. Carey Cox. It was well-prepared, well-delivered and thought-provoking. We also heard many favorable comments on the speech by Rev. J. B. Parker, who spoke on his work as Institutional Worker.

Most Copiah County churches now have the Baptist Record as a part of their program. Subscriptions are listed as follows: BETHEL 45, CARPENTER 25, COUNTY LINE 39, CRYSTAL SPRINGS 334, GALLMAN 27, GALILEE 31, Gatesville 7, GEORGETOWN 41, HARMONY 52, HAZLEHURST 112, HOPEWELL 30, NEW PROVIDENCE 23, NEW ZION 56, PINE BLUFF 34, Mission Hill 1, PILGRIM'S REST 22, PLEASANT HILL 32, Popular Springs 18, ROCKPORT 3, SARDIS 33, SHADY GROVE 48, SPRING HILL 57, STRONG HOPE 53, WESSON 80, SMYRNA 23, Damascus 13, Antioch 17, SYLVARENA 44, PEARL VALLEY 32.



COL. J. R. WELLS

### Colonel Wells Praises Parker's Hospital Work

In a letter of appreciation, Col. J. R. Wells, M. D., has praised the work the Mississippi Baptists are doing through their State Mission Institutional program, which includes personal ministry to the veterans at Foster General Hospital. Col. Wells is a native of Pennsylvania and a very capable leader. We quote some excerpts from his letter to Rev. J. B. Parker, who is in charge of this excellent program:

I wish to express my appreciation of your Board and you personally in including this hospital in your scope of endeavor.

The Veterans' Hospitals are not new institutions, but due to the immensity of the past war, they have enlarged in size and numbers until the VA Medical setup in this country is the largest in the world. This hospital has recently been increased from a 250 bed allowance to a 500. It has now over 300 acutely ill patients and this number is increasing. The hospital capacity is approximately 2,000 beds.

Your organization's service is one of the intangible, but very necessary works that must come from personal feeling alone. It renders the disabled veterans a service that ties the home and the outside world with the hospital. To my mind no sick or injured person is as deserving as our country's disabled veterans. They not only offered as did you and I, but actually suffered to protect us.

This hospital appreciates your Board's offer of practical aid. Your personality of quiet, friendly, dignified assurance should go a long way in helping to make our veteran patients' stay with us more pleasant and profitable. Your cheering personal messages will no doubt hasten their recovery.

Col. Wells is a native of Pennsylvania and a very capable leader of the hospital forces.

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From October 20 through October 30, we had with us Brother James L. Sullivan, Pastor Belmont Heights Baptist Church in Nashville, Tennessee, in a Revival Meeting. Brother John these services, and in charge of the Felix Arnold was the guest soloist for music. These were ten great days in the life of our church. Our people felt that both of these brethren were unexcelled in preaching and singing. There were 37 additions to our church with 18 of this number coming by baptism. The results of this meeting will be wholesome and far-reaching.

### PEEKING AT PREACHERS

By Dr. Wm. Potter

From the vantage point of the press table a reporter catches intimate glimpses of, sometimes, inanimate subjects. . . and at other times things, perhaps, he shouldn't. . . nevertheless this observer made mental notes of preacher reactions at the Pastor's and Laymen's Conference and places them, for posterity, in the printed column. To wit. . . preachers should practice what they preach and arrive on time. . . about 75 present when President Greene opened the session. . . and the echoes of empty pews vibrated against the walls and ceiling of historic First church. . . and incidentally, Dr. Greene is a big man. . . and more so when you look up from the press table. . . Brother Courtney, Beacon's new pastor over at Laurel, trying to enthuse the preachers into singing. . . giving them a dose of their own pastoral medicine. . . but it didn't seem to take. . . too soon after dinner. . . sssshhhhh. . . I guess what department head from the Baptist Building 'dozed' off while Zeno Wells was exhorting. . . don't ask me. . . I'll never tell. . . notice a few women braved the masculine gathering. . . bless 'em. . . red ties were predominant. . . state workers slipping in and out. . . Luther Turner said, "God must love fun 'cause he made parrots and monkeys and some people I've met". . . and . . . from the ridiculous to the sublime. . . "Majestic Switness Sits Enthroned" never sound sweeter than when sung by Prof. Ezey's Mississippi College Choir at the afternoon session. . . President Greene's fine tribute to Dean McKinster and the dean's prolific address. . . "we are a rural denomination" said the dean of Clarke Memorial College. . . the tale-swapping after the benediction. . . and the observation that after all. . . preachers are people. . . and preachers talk, too, after the service begins. . . personable Pastor Hudgins, the host, trying to locate the city driver who parked wrong. . . and we missed the presence of Dr. Hewitt. . . then we noticed a big, broad brimmed, glack hat and sure enough it was Miss Ed. . . couldn't help but notice how preachers can "drag" a hymn just like other folks. . . Lawyer Aultman could easily be mistaken for a preacher—in looks and talent. . . and he got the most "Amens" of the opening day's sessions. . . C. E. Welch, venerable servant of the Cross, Mississippi born and bred, 'back to Bethel' for fellowship from his Memphis pastorate. . . the audience listened as Mississippi College's young man Batson sang "I'd Rather Have Jesus". . . Noxapater's Weaver packs a punch in his preaching. . . Slick Green's "you look like a bunch of Baptists, you come in and flop down". . . and the preachers listened as the "preacher boy" from Clarke College got 'em told. . . and nobody slept while Jimmy Street expostulated, either. . . and thus endeth the first day.

—BR—

The following have been recent visitors to the office of the Baptist Record: Rev. John M. Sanders, Newton; Rev. Wayne C. Deitz, Hickory; Douglas H. Robertson, Jackson; Rev. and Mrs. C. M. Day, Durant; Rev. George H. Gay, Ripley; Rev. and Mrs. H. L. Rhodes, Ackerman; H. A. Scott, Tylertown; Rev. Melvin T. Wilson, Liberty; Rev. Thomas T. Holloway, Dallas, Texas; Rev. D. M. Campbell, and Ralph Young, Escatawpa; Rev. Fred B. Booker, McComb; Rev. J. L. Moore, Dossville; Rev. C. R. Haire, Pascagoula; Dr. H. L. Martin, Senatobia; Rev. Phil J. Walker, Summit; Rev. Paul D. Boothe, Port Gibson; Rev. R. A. Morris, Newton; E. E. Gardner.

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